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AUTOMOBILE CLUB URGES BOND ISSUE

Jefferson City, December 13.—The State Highway Commission took under advisement the adoption of an official policy on future financing of State highway construction, and any recommendations on pending bond proposals, at the close of a hearing here this afternoon, in which representatives of the Automobile Club of Missouri and many civic groups urged support of the $120,000,000 bond proposal, sponsored by the Automobile Club.

It was declared a $60,000,000 bond issue likely would be defeated by the State, as it would not take care of completion of the system, necessary extensions and farm-to-market development. On the other hand, it was stated, sentiment was strong thruout the State for the $120,000,000 proposal.

"The commission is not charged with the duty of making recommendations for future financing", said Roy F. Britton, president of the Automobile Club. "This is not required by law. The commission is charged only with administration of and construction of the road a task that has been performed well. The authorizing of future finances is a problem for the people and the proposal we have offered is sound".

In the same connection, Hugh Stephens of Jefferson City, former vice chairman commission said, "I can see that it would come within your province to adopt some resolution that additional funds are necessary, but when you undertake to pass, if you may, any indoresement of some particular proposition you are placed in the position of defending that particular plan".

Stephens said it would be of no avail for the commission to recommend some other plan than the $120,000,000 proposal, unless it was sure that some private group was ready to carry on a campaign to place it on the ballot and advocate its passage.

The Highway Commission, if it recommended some proposal other than the $120,000,000 bond issue, is not authorized to expend State funds to carry on the regulation of initiative petition to put it in the ballot or campaign in is behalf. This would have to be done by a group organized for that purpose, just as the Automobile Club plans to carry on the campaign to put the $120,000,000 proposal on the ballot of the general election next year and to urge its adoption in the election.

Britton said the outstanding features of the $120,000,000 proposal were:

Denite committment of the road revenues to road construction through passage of a constitutional amendment, which would prevent diversion of the revenues assessed on motorists to other purposes by the Legislature.

Provision not only for completion of the present system but addition of necessary mileage for connections, construction of wider roads in populous centers, and development of farm to market roads.

Limiting the automobile license fees and gasoline tax to 3 per cent levels.

Answering arguments of opponents that the proposal was too big, Britton said the experts of the Highway Department had found, on investigation, that the revenues of the department, as now estimated, would be more than $4,000,000 a year in excess of the requirements and that the total surplus over requirements for bond interest and retirement, in the life of the bond issue, would be $160,000,000.

He said voting of $120,000,000 in bonds did not mean mandatory expenditure of the money immediately, but that the commission oculd issue the bonds as required for construction, not to exceed $25,000,000 a year.

John Malang, director of the good roads bureau of the Automobile Club said the proposal would give the Highway Department a constitutional authority retain the centralized control of road construction in Missouri, and prevent diversion of road funds. He said the plan had met support thruout the State and had been worked out carefully.

"It would be foolish for this commission to pass a resolution condemning this proposal", he said. "It would not be fair to the good road advocates who worked it out, and who have been laboring in the interest of good roads in Missouri for 15 years".

"Some of the opponents of this plan are like the man who dashed out of the house, jumped on four or five horses and rode off in several directions at the same time", said Malang. "I have nearly lost my reason trying to follow an opposition that urged pay as you go, then more gas tax, then a small bond issue, then back to pay as you go and finally says leave it to somebody else".

Other speakers, who said their districts were favorable to the $120,000,000 bond issue, were: J. A. Lewis of St. Louis, chairman of the highway committee for the club; Lloyd Stark of Louisiana, president of the Pike County Chamber of Commerce; J. M. Richards of Hannibal, president of the Northeast Missouri Chamber of Commerce, including 24 counties; L. S. Slate of Columbia; Edward Jamison of Fulton; A. A. Buford of Ellington, secretary of the Missouri Ozarks Chamber of Commerce, representing 14 counties; A. A. Speer, banker, and Clifford Scruggs, president of the Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce.

DEMANDS RESIGNATION OF SECRETARY JARDINE AND AID

Washington, December 13.—Resignation of Secretary Jardine and Lloyd S. Tenny of the Bureau of Economics in the Department of Agriculture, was demanded today by Senator Heflin (Dem.), Alabama, because of the break in cotton prices recently following issuance of a department price estimate.

Senator Heflin said he believed Tenny "got money for the betrayal of the cotton producers".

"I so informed Jardine", he added. "Jardine is aiding and abetting the Wall treet gamblers who are robbing the people of my country".

Senator Smith (Dem.), South Carolina, also deplored the department's cotton report and insisted that Jardine must be held responsible for it, "although I verily believe he knew nothing about it until his attention was called to it later".

OBITUARY

David Halliburton Cloar was born April 19, 1849 in Obion County, Tennessee. Died December 10, 1927 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Tanner in Sikeston, Mo.

He was the son of John and Matilda Hubbard-Clora, deceased. Was married to Sarah Frances Newton of Fulton County, Kentucky, near State Line, November 10, 1880. To this union were born seven children, two of whom survive, namely, Mrs. Rivers Cloar Tanner and Kelzie E. Cloar of Sikeston. Also two grandchildren, William H., Jr., and Mary E. Tanner and one sister, Mrs. Mattie Cloar Isbell of Union City, Tenn.

A short service was held in the home of Mrs. Tanner by Rev. S. P. Brite, Sunday morning at 10 o'clock before the start on the last journey. At Union City, the funeral service was held in the Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Jenkins. After which the service was continued at the family burying ground in Clayton, Tenn.

The State Club series of basketball games for both boys and girls at the Chillicothe Business College opened Monday night in the new gymnasium with Northwest Missouri vs. Iowa.

The Lutherans of Sikeston will conduct regular services in their new house of worship in the corner of Park & Prairie Streets, Sunday morning at 10:30. Theme: "Prepare for the Coming of Your Savior's Birth". All are welcome at our services.

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PERSONAL INJURY INSURANCE RATES INCREASED 16 PER CENT

New York, December 12.—Personal injury insurance rates for automobile owners in the country at large will rise 16 per cent today, according to an announcement of Albert W. Whitney, acting general manager of the National Bureau of Casulty and Surety Underwriters, which includes the leading casualty insurance companies of the United States.

The reason for this sudden increase are listed by Whitney as: The greater power and speed of automobiles, greater use of automobiles due to improved highways, increaseing frequency of claims, growing tendency of injured persons to demand large damages, and the marked tendency of juries to award larger amounts of damages.

Miss Myra Tanner will entertain Friday night, complimentary to Mrs. J. H. Allen of St. Joe.

The Mid-Winter opening at the Chllicothe Business College will be January 2nd and is always second only to the Fall Opening in new enrollments. An exceptionally good enrollment is expected this year.

FRUIT TREES FOR SCOTT COUNTY TO ARRIVE TUESDAY

The first truckload of the pooled order of peach trees for farmers of Scott and Cape Girardeau Counties will arrive at Sikeston, Tuesday, W. F. D. Batjer, field man for the Cape Girardeau Chamber of Commerce, who sponsored the co-operative ordering of trees, announced today. Other trees, which were ordered from a reputable Arkansas nursery, will be delivered later, Bajter said.

The first shipments of the seedlings will be allotted Scott County peach growers, Batjer stated, since planting the trees in the sandy soil of that county would be easier than in Cape Girardeau county where the soil is heavier. The trees for Cape Girardeau county farmers will be sent later, probably when they can be handled more opportunely.

Farmers or other landowners who were not represented in the first order of trees may still place their orders, Batjer announced. Earliest possible delivery will be given on the trees which may be obtained at a favorable price, Batjer said.

The first shipment, consisting of possibly 3000 trees, to be received at Sikeston Tuesday, will be set out on land near Sikeston belonging to E. C. Matthews.—Cape Missourian.

Miss Nell Hall of Gideon visited over the week-end with Miss Rickey, at the home of Mrs. Albert Shields.

A record ocean depth of 34,416 feet, more than six and a half miles, has just been discovered by the cruiser Emden between Japan and the Dutch East Indies. The former record was 2644 feet, off Japan.

In order to show the distance ordinarily travelled by Mexican quail and with a certain bearing upon the habits of the native Bobwhite, the Game and Fish Department is asking hunters to report fully with respect to banded quail killed this season. Several reports have been received, one of them from St. Louis County. A Mexican bird, banded number 3649 was killed five miles south of Jefferson Barracks November 19. Upon checking up the records it developed that the quail was purchased from Dr. Frank Kent of San Antonio, Texas, was released March 21 at the Dr. Sayman farm on North Broadway and therefore travelled close to 20 miles from the place it was released eight months previous.

WILL MAYFIELD ASKS LARGER ENDOWMENT

Marble Hill, December 12.—A gift from E. S. Pillsbury, St. Louis, of $5000 raises the endowment fund of Will Mayfield College to $56,120, according to an announcement made here today.

At the beginning of the fiscal year, August 1, it was proposed to add $16,000 to the endowment funds of the college, and $11,500 has been secured thus far. Plans are being made to increase the endowment fund next year to $100,000. Additional fund for bond refund, interest and furniture for the new Administration Building will be secured.

Rev. J. W. Cunningham, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Chaffee has been secured to do field work for the college and will take up the duties immediately.

From Scott County there are six students in the school this year: Luther Moore of Perkins, Gilbert Hopper of Sikeston, Elmer Revelle and Tharon Stallings of Morley, Pauline Britt of Blodgett and Eula Smith of Oran.

These are all fine young people, and are winning honors at Mayfield. Mr. Moore is a member of the ministerial class and has preached several times. Hopper, Revelle and Stallings all made the College "M" in football this past season. Hopper distinguished himself particularly at one game by making four of the six touchdowns made by our men. Revelle played a fine game this season and Stallings was a particularly good quarterback. Tharon Stallings is also president of the College Sophomore class, and plays the male lead in a play, "The Charm School" to be presented by the Mark Twain Litrary Society, of which Stallings is the president, on December 16. Eula Smith has been making good grades since coming to Mayfield, she is a fine student. Pauline Britt is one of the "Public Speakers" of the college having given several readings and pantomines for the various clubs of which she is a member.

WALKING FROM CHICAGO TO CALIFORNIA STATE

Norman Strand, one of Chicago's best known poets, arrived in Sikeston Tuesday, on a walking tour from Chicago to California, and spent a few hours hawking his verses from door to door. Late in the day he left for Memphis, Tenn.

Strand, who has red hair, reported many interesting experiences, and was very pleased with the cordial reception accorded him by local residents. His trip will take him thru Arkansas, Tennessee, Albama, Louisiana, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, California and several other states. Strand's only source of revenue is his poetry, which must pay for his food and lodging. Last year he made a successful trip through Wisconsin, which received much publicity.

One of Strand's best known poems is "Earth Hunger":

Closer to the earth I press,
Drunk with wine and loveliness.
Why should I will to fly and rise
To thinner air and colder skies?
The earth is warmer to my hand.
That is love I understand.

ARRESTED IN WEST VIRGINIA FOR THEFT OF MO. CATTLE

Columbia, Mo., December 12.—Sheriff Roy Creed left here this morning for Wythesville, W. Va., with requisition papers for Sam Russell, who is wanted here for stealing 70 head of 2-year-old steers, worth $6000 from a farm which Russell bought from J. R. Smith in this county near Hallsville.

Smith left the steers on the farm to graze. Unknown to him, Russell shipped the cattle to the St. Louis market and sold them.

A bank which had a mortgage on the cattle located Smith at Wythesville. A felonious charge will be filed against him when he is brought back to Boone County.

SAYS GREATEST FARM PROBLEM IS TAXATION

Peoria, Ill., December 13.—Reduction of State taxes, passage by Congress of the debenture plan of farm relief and abandonment by the Federal Government of the reclamation policy were advocated today by E. A. Eckert, master of the Illinois Grange, in his address at the fifty-sixth annual meeting of the State organization.

Echoing the principles adopted by the National Grange, Eckert espoused the debenture plan in preference to all other plans of farm relief legislation. He laid emphasis on the need of economy in government, pointing out that most of the farmers' tax money went to roads and schools.

The Federal Government, he said, has been showing commendable economy, and Federal taxes have been reducde, leaving roads and schools as the main burdens of taxation.

"Good roads and good schools", he said, "are vital, but they cannot be long maintained at a taxation rate that is confiscatory".

"Despite a gradual upward trend", he continued, "agriculture has not passed the period of depression. This depression affects not only the farmer but labor and industry as well. While we cannot agree with those that think legislation will cure all ills, we do believe some legislation is needed.

"We have long contended that the reclamation policy of the Federal Government was unwarranted and unbusinesslike. Time has proved our judgment is sound, for reclamation is not only harming the established farmer, but, in nearly every instance, has failed as an investment for both the settler and the Government. The Board of Adjustment for 1926 asked Congress to write off of 19 different projects $14,317,150.

"There is no problem that affects the farmer more than taxation. Our taxes have steadily increased until the total is more than $11,000,000,000 annually. Under these conditions it would be natural to suppose that every intelligent patriotic citizen would manifest a deep concern in the affairs of the Government, but it is just to the contrary. He is astounded at the vast sum expended. The very magnitude of the task leaves him hopeless and bewildered and he decides to leave this problem for someone else to solve.

"We believe that relief can come through economy and efficiency in the county and small units of government. Many claim that our County Government is the most inefficient and out-of-date branch of the whole American Government".

He reviewed the resolutions adopted by the National Grange, including that which "deplores the appaling increase in the cigarette habit among the American people, particularly among women".

A steady growth, he said, had been noted in the Illinois Grange the past year. He commended the Harrisville Grange, winner of second place in the Prairie Farmer community contest, and mentioned Osco Grange in Henry County and Hopewell Grange in Tazewell County as doing good work?

MOVE TO REDUCE THE TARIFF STARTED BY G. O. P. SENATOR

Washington, December 13.—A move toward general reduction of the tariff was initiated in the Senate today by Senator McMaster (Rep.) Souh Dakota, who asked for the adoption of a resolution declaring the Senate favored immediate lowering of the schedules.

CARD OF THANKS

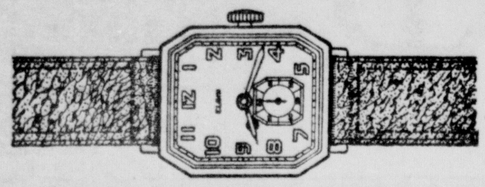
Words cannot express our gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown to us in the last illness of our beloved father. We want especially to thank by this method Mrs. Effie Hunter of New Madrid, J. W. Marshall, Mrs. Agnes Story and Johnny Albritton.—Rivers Cloar Tanner.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

By W. L. Nelson, Representative in Congress, 9th Mo. District

Congress convenes on the first Monday in December. This is the Seventieth Congress, it being 140 years since the adoption of the Constitution. In the two years of the Congress there are always at least two sessions. The short session, ending March 4, begins in an even-numbered year. Long sessions begin in odd-numbered years and may last indefinitely. The present session may adjourn in time for the Republican National Convention, which meets in Kansas City, June 12, 1928.

The political make-up of the Seventieth Congress is: House of Representatives—Republicans, 237; Democrats, 195; Farmer-Labor, 2; Socialist, 1. Senate—Republicans, 48; Democrats, 47; Farmer-Labor, 1. In the Senate are nine who are counted members of the progressive group.

The average Congressman is 35 years old, the average Representative 54, and the average Senator 58. The youngest House member is Combs of Missouri, aged 28; the oldest, Major Stedman of North Carolina, who is 86. The late General Sherwood of Ohio, aged 89, was the oldest man who ever served in Congress. Senator Warren of Wyoming, aged 83, is the oldest Senator, both in years and service.

Many callings are represented in Congress, lawyers leading. There are seven physicians, two dentists, two ministers and a former actor. One member used to be a cowboy, one a plumber and another a butcher. One was a locomotive engineer and another a fireman. One is a "tree surgeon" another a well driller. One has come back to the House after serving in the Senate. There are four women Representatives, Mrs. Rogers of Massachusetts, Mrs. Kahn of California, Mrs. Norton of New Jersey and Mrs. Langley of Kentucky, the latter serving her first term. Virginia, Mississippi and Georgia are represented in the House by solid delegation of native sons. Not so with Washington or Colorado, all of whose representatives were born elsewhere. Three Senators and many Representatives were born outside the United States, so none of these can ever be president. No such bar is set up, under the Constitution, against those of Indian blood, as Senator Curtis of Kansas or Representative Hastings of Oklahoma.

Changes take place rapidly in Congress. Since I first came to Washington such leaders as Champ Clark, 'Uncle Joe' Cannon and 'Jim" Mann in the House, and Senators Underwood, Kenyon, Lodge, Cummins and John Sharp Williams have passed on or out. On the opening day it is a rather rugged and strong body of men that one sees. At the close many, weak, nervous and pale, show the effects of the long strain. Death claims a number at each session.

Many officials and employes of the House and Senate continue regardless of political changes. T. F. Shuey, an official reporter, has not missed a days work at the Capitol in 59 years. In charge of the Congressional Record is "Andy" Smith, who has 53 years of service to his credit. For 48 years Cameron has been connected with the office of official reporters of debate. I once asked Champ Clark this man's name. Mr. Clark's reply was that he had never heard him called anything but "Jake". Bert Kennedy, doorkeeper of the House, has been employed at the Capitol for 58 years; Joseph Rodgers, sergeant-at-arms for 37 years; Martin McKee, foreman of the House folding room, for 44 years; David Lynn, architect of the Capitol for 27 years and Wm. Tyler Page, clerk of the House of Representatives has served at the Capitol for half a century and is one of the best posted men in national life.

Some states and districts, like Congress itself, have learned the value of experience. Senator Warren of Wyoming, with 35 years of service behind him; Senator Gillett of Massachusetts, who has served 32 years, 30 of which were in the House, Senator Simmons of North Carolina, 26 years, and Senators Overman of North Carolina and Smoot of Utah, 24 years each; Representative Cooper of Wisconsin, 32 years; Butler of Pennsylvania, 30 consecutive years; Burton of Ohio, 28 years, six of which were in the Senate; Haugen of Iowa, 28 years; Pou of North Carolina 26 years and Garner of Texas, 24 years, represent this group.

Smith of Illinois and Vare of Pennsylvania, in whose campaigns more than a million dollars were spent, were not permitted to take the oath in the Senate. On question of administering the oath to Vare, 26 Republicans and five Democrats were favorable, while 16 Republicans and Progressives, 38 Democrats and one Farmer-Labor representative were opposed. This was about the same as the vote against Smith. While both cases will be further considered by the special committee headed by Reed of Missouri, few believe that the Senate will ever find favorably in either.

In Statuary Hall in the Capitol each state places, in marble or bronze, two of its famous sons or daughters. This week Georgia unveiled, in this hall where Missouri honors Benton and Blair, a statue of Alexander Hamilton Stephens, vice-president of the Confederacy and a man of small and shrunken body, but having a great mind. In debate, Stephens' opponent once remarked, "If I had you greased, I could swallow you whole". Like a flash, came the reply, "Then you would have more brains in your belly than you ever had in your head". Among the thousand Georgians who attended the unveiling of the Stephens Statue was Mrs. Rebecca Felton, only woman who ever served in the Senate. As I saw her in a wheel chair, I thought she looked very much more like some kindly little old grandmother than United States Senator, even for a day.

Missouri members fare well in committee assignments, in view of the fact that 12 of the 16 are Democrats. The House being Republican, all committee chairmen and a majority of the members on all committees are Republicans. Dickinson and Faust continue on the Ways and Means Committee, Ruby on Agriculture, Major and Dyer on Judiciary, Romjue on Post Office and Post Roads, Milligan on Interstate and Foreign Commrece, and Nelson on Flood Control. Neigringhaus goes on Rivers and Harbors. All these are major, or exclusive, committees, of which there are only about a dozen in the House, and because of their importance members are allowed to serve on no other committee. Other Missouri committee assignments are: Cannon, Accounts, Pensions and Roads; Lozier, Census and Invalid Pensions; Combs, District of Columbia, and Labor; Cochran, Expenditures in State Departments; Fulbright, Invalid Pensions and World War Veterans; Williams, Naval Affairs; Manlove, Civil Service, Enrolled Bills, Labor, Mines and Mining, Pensions and Roads.

FASHION FADS AND FANCIES

Distinction without a difference would be the best description of the line of demarcation to be drawn between the yellow greens and the green-yellows that are increasing in importance for evening wear. In transparent velvet, these shades are most exquisite.

Seeking Inspiration From Nature—Designers are using flwoers, leaves and insects as themes for the latest ebmroideries and appliques. Especially effective are the insect forms when embroidered in highly colored metallic thread.

Cunning colored belts of velvets are quite narrow and are as smartly stitched and tailored as those of leather. In all of the season's brightest shades, they have matching bakelite buckles.

Uneasy lies the crowned head seems to be an ancient myth, as far as coiffure fashions are concerned. For formal evening wear the old-fashioned tiara is being revived. Elaborately set in rhinestones. It seems to give just the required finish to the sone studded gowns and sparkling cosume jewelry that glitters quite as dazzlingly as if the strass, marcasite and hrinestones were really precious gems.

Besieging Beige—tyle authorities are using it in every conceivable way, the latest of which is shown by draping a filmy lace nose veil upon a small black velvet hat. One striking example of this ultra smart combination was seen when a tiny black turban, with a large self-fabric velvet flower, low at one sid,e carried a little biege net veil. Trailing flower petals were pasted down one side of the veil.

Living in glass houses has always been said to be dangerous to those of the stone-throwing habit. The new habit of carrying glass hand-bags originated in Czecho, Slovakia, where they are made of knitted or woven glass. These bags consist of numerous vari-colored, tiny glass rings, interlaced nito mesh that is mounted upon glass frames.

In Angora, Turkey, the sexes can argue on equal terms. There are two men to one woman.—Passaic News.

"Politicians know nothing about dirt farming". Well, they may know nothing about farming.—La Porte (Ind.) Argus.

MISSIONARIES TELL OF MONKEY AND SNAKE MENU

Forth Worth, Texas, December 12.—Monkey legs baked to a crisp brown, garnished with caterpillars; wild boar hams, fried snake tidbits and meat loaf made from elephant trunks.

This menue, which is considered a delicacy in the Belgian Congo, Africa, was not appetizing or palatable to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Holder, Fort Worth, who have just returned to Texas after eight years spent as missonaries of the Christian Church in Africa.

Neither was Mrs. Holder surprised to find the Forth Worth girls carrying vanity cases containing rouge, lipstick and other cosmetics, for, as she expressed it, "the American flapper has no corner on the art of applying paint and powder". She bro't back with her a vanity made of tanned goats skin which once was carried by an African chief.

"The African's vanity is a trifle large", said Mrs. Holder, "since he paints not only his face, but his entire body. He first covers himself with a generous amount of palm oil and then puts the paint on in a thick coat".

Queen Victoria gave to her Maids of Honor a miniature of herself surrounded by diamonds. This was worn on a red ribbon of the same shade as that of the Order of the Bath.

"Early inhabitants of the East believed that the banana plant was the source of good and evil and that the serpent which tempted Eve hid in a bunch of the fruit", writes W. T. Pope of the Hawaii Experiment Station of the United States Department of Agriculure. "Undoubtedly this legend influenced the ealry classifiers who designated two species of the plant as Musa paradisiaca (Fruit of Paradise) and Musa sapientum (Fruit of Knowledge)". The common name, 'banana', was adopted from the language of an African Congo tribe, and first came into use during the sixteenth century. Prior to that time the fruit was called "apple of paradise" and "Adam's fig." The name "banana" seems to have been borne for a long period by the fruit, which was eaten raw. The term "plantain" was given to a variety which, though closely related to the banana, is edible only after being cooked. The generic name "Musa" for the banana group was bestowed by the botanist Linnaeus in honor of Antonius Musa, a learned physician of the early Roman Empire.

Notice of Special City Election

Pursuant to an ordinance duly passed by the City Council of the City of Sikeston, Scott County, Mo., and approved by the Mayor of said City, notice is hereby given that a special election will be held in the four different wards of said City of Sikeston on Tuesday, the 10th day of January, 1928, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said City the proposition of approving or disapproving ordinance No. 1070, as passed by said City Council on the 5th day of December, 1927, granting to Moody and Seagraves, a co-partnership, a franchise to erect the necessary equipment and furnish gas to the City of Sikeston and the inhabitants thereof, which said Ordinance No. 1070, omitting formal portion thereof, is in words and figures, as follows:

"BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI, TO-WIT:

Section 1. That there is hereby granted unto MOODY & SEAGRAVES, a co-partnership composed of W. L. Moody, III, and O. R. Seagraves, with offices in St. Louis, State of Missouri, herein called "Grantee", and to Grantee's successors, heirs and assigns, the rights, permission, privilege and franchise for a period of twenty (20) years from an after taking effect of this Ordinance subject to the laws of the State of Missouri now in force or hereinafter enacted, and to the conditions and limitations herein contained to erect, install, construct, reconstruct, repair, own, operate, maintain, manage and control a gas plant and gas distributing systems consisting of pipes, conduits, and other equipment and fixtures necessary, convenient or proper, for the production, transmission, distribution and delivery within the limits of said Municipality of gas for light, heat and power purposes to the said Municipality and its inhabitants.

Section 2. That said Grantee, its successors, heirs and assigns, are hereby granted the right-of-way in, under, over, along and across the streets, sidewalks, alleys, bridges and other highways and public grounds of said Municipality for the purpose of erecting, installing, constructing, reconstructing and repairing, owning, operating maintaining, managing and controlling said gas plant and said gas distributing system.

Section 3. That said grantee shall hold said Municipality free and harmless of and from any and all liability, damages, actions and causes of action, caused by or through the neglect or mismanagement of the grantee in the erection, installation, construction, reconstruction, repair, operation, maintenance, management and control of said gas plant and distribution system.

Section 4. That said Grantee shall not, during the erection, installation, construction, reconstruction, repairing, operating and maintenance of said plant or distribution system, unnecessarily impede public travel on the streets, sidewalks, alleys, bridges and public grounds of said Municipality, and shall leave all of said streets, sidewalks, alleys, bridges and other highways and public ground upon which it may enter for the purposes herein authorized in as good condition as they were at the date of said entry.

Section 5. That if any section or portion of a section of this Ordinance shall be declared null and void by any competent authority, the remaining portions hereof shall not be affected thereby.

Section 6. Nothing herein contained shall ever be held to confer an exclusive right upon the Grantee herein.

Section 7. That in the event the Grantee herein, or its heirs, successors or assigns, shall not begin construction of a gas plant or a gas distributing system for the purpose of distributng gas purisuant to the terms hereof within ninety (90) days after the completion of a pipe line for the transportation of natural gas from the gas fields of Louisiana to the vicinity of St. Louis, Missouri, which the Grantee contemplates constructing, or causing to be constructed, or if the Grantee, its heirs, successors or assigns hereof shall fail to commence operation hereunder within two (2) years after granting hereof, then this franchise shall be forfeited and shall no longer be binding on either of the parties hereto.

Section 8. That this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and approval and consent thereto by the qualified voters according to law".

The voting places in each of the four wards of said City of Sikeston, Missouri, will be at the following places:—

FIRST WARD: At the City Hall.
SECOND WARD: At Boyer's Garage.
THIRD WARD: At Ford Garage.
FOURTH WARD: At the office of E. C. Robinson Lumber Company.

The polls will be open for receiving votes at said special election on the date hereinbefore mentioned at all the voting places prescribed herein from six o'clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon.

Done by order of the City Council by an ordinance duly passed and approved on the 12th day of December, 1927.

P. H. STEVENSON,
City Clerk.

PROCLAMATION OF MAYOR OF CITY OF SIKESTON SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF ORGANIZING THE CITY OF SIKESTON INTO ALTERNATIVE OR COMMISSION FORM OF GOVERNMENT.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a petition of the qualified electors of the City of Sikeston equal in number to twenty-five per cent of the votes cast for all candidates for Mayor at the last preceeding city election of said city has been submitted to the Mayor of said City of Sikeston for organizing the said City of Sikeston into Alternative or Commission form of government as provided in Article V., Chapter 72, of the Laws of Missouri, 1919, and amendments thereto, and,

WHEREAS, it is the duty of said Mayor under the law, upon the filing of said petition, to submit to the qualified voters of said City the question of organizing as a city under said Article V., Chapter 72 of the Laws of Missouri, 1919, and amendments thereto,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, N. E. Fuchs, Mayor of the City of Sikeston, Missouri, as required by law and by authority of the aforesaid petition, do hereby call a special election to be held in the four separate wards of said City of Sikeston on

TUESDAY, THE 10TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1928

for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said city the proposition of organizing said city under the Alternative or Commission Form of Government as provided in said Article V. Chapter 72, and amendments thereto, of the laws of Missouri, 1919.

The voting place in each of the four wards of said City of Sikeston, Missouri, on said date will be at the following places:—

Ward One at the City Hall.
Ward Two at Boyers Garage.
Ward Three at the Ford Garage.
Ward Four at the office of E. C. Robinson Lumber Co.

The polls will be open for receiving votes at said special election on the date hereinbefore mentioned in all the voting places prescribed herein from six o'clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon.

Done at my office in Sikeston, Missouri, this 12th day of December, 1927.
(SEAL)

N. E. FUCHS,
Mayor.

Attest: P. H. STEVENSON,
City Clerk

Notice To All Land Owners In The Little River Drainage District.

Following is the text of a resolution relating to delinquent tax penalties, passed by the Board of Supervisors of The Little River Drainage District at its regular meeting Monday, November 21st, 1927;

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the year 1927 has been one of unprecedented rainfall resulting in devastating floods throughout the Mississippi Valley; and

WHEREAS, the land within this District has been provided with adequate outlets for the drainage of an ordinary amount of rainfall, yet during this year by reason of the excessive rains during the spring and early summer months, much of the land that is usually planted in crops has this year been nonincome producing; and

WHEREAS, a large area of the land within this District was overflowed by the flood waters of the Mississippi River caused by a break of the Mississippi River levee, constructed under the supervision of the United States Government, near Dorena, Missouri, some 30 miles east of this District; and

WHEREAS, a large area of the land within this District was overflowed by the flood waters of the St. Francis River caused by the breaking of a levee constructed by a levee district of Dunklin County, Missouri, some ten miles west of the land within this District; and

WHEREAS, there is a present widespread depression in land values and in the price of most farm products produced on the land in this District; and

WHEREAS, there is much land in not only this but other drainage and levee districts that has delinquent drainage and levee taxes assessed against it bearing a penalty of 2 per cent per month by reason of the failure of the landowners to pay said taxes when due; and

WHERAS, in some instances said taxes are delinquent for a number of years; and

WHERAS, it is the belief on this Board that many of the landowners who have spent thousands of dollars in clearing and in improving their farms in this District cannot pay the amount of delinquent taxes and accrued penalties resting thereon; and

WHEREAS, many of such landowners have borrowed large sums of money on their lands for the purpose of improving same and the holders of said notes and deeds of trust are now demanding that all said delinquent taxes and penalties be paid, as well as the accrued interest, else they will immediately foreclose said deeds of trust; and

WHEREAS, many of the owners of said lands will lose not only their land by reason of said foreclosure, but all other property they have if said deeds of trust are foreclosed; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose and desire of this Board to prevent such disastrous results in so far as it be in the power of this Board to avoid same

NOW THEREFORE, in order to afford temporary relief and enable the landowners to overcome some of the above mentioned conditions now confronting them;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Board declare and order that any landowner or other person for him, who owns land on which delinquent taxes assessed by this District are now resting, may pay the principal amount of said taxes now delinquent, together with interest thereon at the rate of one-half of one per cent per month from date of delinquency of said taxes, and in the event that a suit was filed for the purpose of collecting any of said delinquent taxes, said landowner shall pay also all court costs, including an attorney's fee of 10 per cent of the amount sued for.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that where judgments have been obtained by the District for delinquent taxes and the District has not yet received the taxes evidenced by and culminated in said judgment, that said judgments shall be satisfied by the District upon the record of the respective courts in which they were obtained, upon the payment to the District of a sum equal to the principal of the delinquent taxes sued for plus interest thereon from date of delinquency at the rate of one-half of one per cent per month and the payment of all court costs, including the attorney's fee fixed in said judgment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that in computing the amount due on said taxes each fractional part of a month shall be counted as a full month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that this resolution and order shall become effective and in force on December 1, 1927, and remain effective and in force until and including December 31, 1927, and that this resolution or the substance thereof, be published in all the newspapers published in all the counties in which lands of the district are located and that a special bulletin be issued by the district setting out said resolution and that it be mailed to all landowners whose addresses are known, to the end that all landowners owing delinquent taxes may be advised of this order and opportunity given them to avail themselves of it prior to the expiration date fixed herein.

The above resolution is being published in accordance with the direction of the Board of Supervisors, contained therein.

JOHN H. HIMMELBERGER,
President, Board of Supervisors.

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In Sikeston, between ages 21 and 30, preferrably with a high school education, to represent us. One who has a good acquaintance, good contact, clean record and a reputation for initiative, integrity and industry.

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LOWDEN NOT TO WITHDRAW, HE SAYS IN INTERVIEW

Washington, December 11.—Formre Governor Frank O. Lowden has no intention of withdrawing from the Republican presidential race.

"I can assure you there will be no change in the status in that direction", he said today.

"Do you expect to announce your candidacy in the near future?" he was asked.

"I don't like to comment about the future", the former Governor announced. "Some of my Illinois friends have taken a room in Chicago and are active in my behalf. I couldn't object to anything my friends want to do—or my enemies, either, for that matter".

Lowden spent the week-end here and invited newspaper correspondents to call at his hotel.

The family circle is now the steering wheel.—The Thos. E. Pickerill Service.

Among the prettiest of the new frocks for school and college girls are dance frocks fashioned of the new transparent velvets in delicate pastel colors.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Miss Leggo Houlder of Australia addressed the public school children Thursday afternoon and the townswowser, meaning a prohibition workpeople Thursday night. She is a er in Australia. After spending two and a half years studying prohibition in the United States she says it is a success. Her dynamic presonality, her foreign accent and gestures, and her comparison of Australian customs with American customs made her talks most interestiing and instructive.

Jesse Wilkins has made some novelty checker goards, and other gifts from scraps at the table top factory which are unique and could be sold at very profitable prices under quantity production. A small company for production of Jesse's creations should be formed.

The Morehouse Shipping Association shipped a carload of cattle from Tanner, Saturday.

The epidemic of hog cholera which spread out from Vanduser is ravaging the section East and West of Tanner for several miles, causing severe losses. All farmers within at least several miles of the infestation sould have their hogs vaccinated.

Mrs. Brown Wofford spent last week visiting relatives here. The Brown Woffords are now located at Olmstead, Ill.

Morehouse divided honors with Matthews Friday night. The boys lost their basketball tilt 26-25, while he girls won a decisive vicory 26-6.

Mrs. J. W. Sarff attended the funeral of her nephew at Clarkton, last Thursday.

Lockwood—Township board graveling all roads out of here.

The thing that enables other States to sneer at Indiana in their self-righteous way is a short memory.—Kenosha (Wis.) News.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sarsar of Sikeston, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rubenstein and son, James, of Memphis, Tenn., Wm. Bordovsky, of Milan, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. I. Becker and daughters, Misses Fannye, Edith and Selma of Sikeston, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Meyer of Sikeston, Mrs. M. Winer and daughter, Miss Rose, of Bernie and William Miller of Malden were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Michelson, here, Sunday.—Dexter Messenger.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. J. R. King was hostess to the Rook Club Friday afternoon. Mrs. G. D. Steele was awarded the prize, a bud vase. Mrs. W. O. Carroll got the booby prize. A two-course luncheon was served the guests.

John Sells, who is teaching near Marston, spent the week-end with his parents.

Mrs. G. D. Englehart shopped in Cape Girardeau, Saturday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and mother, Mrs. Moore, visited in Sikeston Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Darter of Lapano, Ark., were the guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. G. D. Englehart and family, over Sunday.

Mrs. J. P. Rice came down from St. Louis on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Cora Gossitt.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carroll are having a furnace put in their pretty country home, where they will soon move.

Mr. Jones, teacher at Gray Ridge, was a Matthews visitor, Sunday.

Shap Hunter of Sikeston was in Matthews, Sunday.

Morehouse basketball teams played the Matthews teams Friday night. The games resulted in the Morehouse girls being victorious and the Matthews boys winning out.

Miss Nota Watkins is visiting relatives at Chaffee this week.

Miss Doloris Sterling spent the week-end at her home near St. Louis.

Mrs. Ray Crosby of Colorado is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Critchlow.

Mrs. G. D. Englehart and little son spent the week-end with relatives at Morley.

Miss Mary James has been selected to teach the sixth and seventh grades in the school here. Miss Nell Iman, who was employed to teach, had to resign on account of her bad health. The patrons and pupils regret very much to give Miss Iman up.

Perhaps the mailed fist will some day be a dead letter.—Wall Street Journal.

Laying hens should be fed a ration of scratch grains, mashes, meat feed, green feed, mineral feed, grit and drink. The scratch mixture should always be supplemented with a mash. A good scratch mixture can be made of two parts by weight of corn, one of wheat and one of oats.

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EMIL STECK

Collector Scott County

PAIR FINDS PROFITS IN GROWING CLOVER

Dexter, December 9.—Albert Kruse, a vocational agriculture student in the high school her,e and his father have proved that alfalfa can be grown profitably in Stoddard County.

In February, 1925, Albert planted a 12-acre cotton stubble field to oats. Immediately after harvesting the oat crop he plowed the field, about seven inches deep and after that he double-disked it every two weeks and rolled and harrowed it once a month until the latter part of September. In August manure was applied on the thin spots. In addition two tons of crushed limestone and 200 pounds of phosphate were applied per acre.

Kruse intended to sow his alfalfa about September 15, 1925, but due to continued wet weather, he did not sow it until March 10, 1926. As a result of the wet autumn, the lime had ample opportunity to take effect and there was a rapid and luxuriant growth of alfalfa. During the first season approximately eight tons of good quality hay were cut from the field.

During the past year, the field furnished pasture for 82 6-weeks-old pigs, beginning April 2. Part of the time 125 hogs were put on the field.

In addition to pasturing the field Kruse cut 24 loads of excellent quality hay in May. July 15 the second crop of 12 loads was removed. Since the second cutting it has been pastured to other stock of the farm in addition to the hogs. A third cutting could have been obtained but Kruse needed the pasture.

Kruse bought his seed with the idea of getting results. His seed tested 95 per cent pure and was applied 18 pounds per acre. From this sowing he had about a three-quarter stand.

LEGION TO TAKE POLL OF PROHIBITION VIEWS

New York, December 8.—A poll to ascertain the attitude of the membership of the American Legion and its women's auxiliary toward prohibition is to be made, Edward E. Spafford, national commander of the American Legion, announced tonight. He made the announcement at the annual dinner of the legion's department of New York, and prefaced it with the statement that "in a democracy, no law should be enforced except such a one as has the approval of the majority".

The legion, he said, is neither 'wet' nor 'dry', and the meeting halls of all legion posts from now until May 15, when the poll will be taken, will be thrown open for a discussion of the question.

"No government can long exist which does not enforce its laws", he declared, "or which resorts to a breach of the fundamental principles of liberty in order to enforce some law which has not the sanction of the best thought of the community".

Questions to be submitted are:

"Shall the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act be approved and continued?

"Shall the eighteenth amendment be continued?

"Shall the Volstead act be amended so as to permit the use of light wine and beers, with the usual natural percentage of alcohol?"

Although there is no proof that bitter milk from cows far advanced in lactation is harmful when consumed by human beings, when a cow is so far advance in lactation as to give off-flavored milk, it is much better to dry her off and give her a rest before the next lactation period. From the standpoint of palatability, one would hardly care to drink milk with an unpleasant flavor if other milk was available.

REED WON'T DISCUSS RUNNING FOR SENATE

Washington, December 8.—Senator James A. Reed of Missouri declined today to discuss a statement by Jno. T. Barker of Kansas City, that the Missouri Senator would file for the Democratic nomination for the Senate and again seek his Senate seat if he were not nominated for the presidency by the Democratic party. All the Senator would say was that Barker's statement was unauthorized.

The Barker statement made a few days ago was regarded by Missouri politicians here as an attempt to persuade the Senator to enter the Senatorial race and thus help Misscuri in the elections of November, 1928.

"I know nothing of the statement and I don't care to discuss it", Senator Reed said tonight when asked about it. "What next?"

Althought it has proved to be one of the most useful and effective insecticides, particularly in the fight against the cotton-boll weevil, calcium arsenate was not used commercially until about 1918. The earlier manufacturers of the powder had difficulties in making it, which sometimes resulted in products that injured cotton more than it was benefited. To assist manufacturers and to insure supplies of a desirable product the chemists of the Insecticide and Fungicide Board of the United States Department of Agriculture experimented to determine what might be the best forms of calcium arsenate and the proper methods of production. As a result most of the calcium-arsenate powders now for sale are considered "very satisfactory". They contain sufficient calcium arsenate to control the weevil and do not contain enough water-soluble arsenic to injure the plants.

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JOLLYING THE FARMER

"Everything the farmer uses in farming is already on the free list". Thus spoke Mr. Coolidge to Congress in opposing a revision of the tariff for the benefit of agriculture. This statement is not original with the President. He has merely repeated one of the favorite sayings of the high-protectionists without taking the trouble to test its accuracy.

It is true that under the present tariff there are certain specified types of farm implements which are on the free list, but there are also many which are not. Moreover, as Mr. Coolidge himself was born and reared on a farm, he will readily admit that "everything the farmer uses in farming" includes a great deal more than these few implements. If the President had compared the present Republican tariff with its Democratic predecessor he would have discovered that the Republican measure imposes a duty on numerous articles needed by the farmer which under the Democratic tariff from 1913 to 1922 were admitted free.

Here are a few examples: Horseshoes, horseshoe nails, other nails, wire for baling hay, jute bagging and hoop iron for baling cotton, galvanizing shears, scythes, sickles, corned wire fencing, sheep shears, prunknives, cream separators with a value above $50. That is only part of the story. Even under a Democratic tariff the farmer did not enjoy the universal free list of the President's imagining. But where it imposed a light duty the Republican tariff has imposed a heavier one. The Fordney-McCumber act, for instance, raised the duty on shovels and spades by 50 per cent, it raised the duty of hemp rope 150 per cent the duty on corrugated sheet iron for barn roofs and sheds 66 per cent the duty on cast-iron pipe 100 per cent, the duty on harness buckles 150 per cent, and so on. All these things the farmer uses in farming, and he uses them in great quantities.

There is some significance also in the fact that the farm implements which are on the free list happen to be those which have no foreign competition. The lack of a duty on them is no special concession to the farmer. On the other hand, there is a heavy protective duty on the chief materials entering into the manufacuring of hese articles, and this must tend to enhance their price to the farmer.

To tell the farmer that he buys in a free-list market is as much of a joke as the efforts to jolly him into believing that he gets real protection from duties on commodities like wheat and corn. But from the farmer's point of view the joke is rather ghastly.—Post-Dispatch.

Santa Claus, to the little folks, is the greatest being that has ever existed. If you haven't already come in contact with his traveling salesman, it is high time you were doing so. If you haven't any little folks of your own, pick on some of the neighbor little folks and make them happy and at the same time make yourself feel light hearted again. It's a great thing to look forward to the visit of Sana Claus and the older one gets the more their thoughts turn back to the days fo their childhood. In fact, some of us getting back night into our second childhood, but it is all right, we suppose.

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Dorothy Gish played "Annie Laurie" at the Malone Theatre last Friday evening and it was a very entertaining film. Many of us wished for Mrs. Green Lescher to sing the beautiful old song as it was flashed on the screen. The coming Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, "The Big Parade", one of the outstanding feature of the year, will be shown. The house should be packed for each performance. Then coming the 9th of January, is "Ben Hur", another wonderful film. This is a masterpiece, full of thrills and takes one back to Bible times.

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We wish to call especial attention to the advertisements appearing in The Standard, and to urge buyers to give them the first call. They are trying to bring business to Sikeston and of course expect to benefit thereby, but they deserve rceognition for trying.

FIRST FEED YOUR CAT

By Bruce Barton

Years ago I lived inthe same apartment house with a professional Idealist. He was such a superior person that I used to feel quite ill at ease in his presence. He talked about social revolution, economic readjustment and other matters I do not understand, and was frankly contemptuous of our middle class habits and philosophies.

But I noticed a slight rip in the fine garment of his perfection. His soul was so much absorbed with nobler thoughts that he neglected the little detail of supporting his wife and child. He did not pay his bills. And when he went away for the summer, he left his cat in the hallway.

We had to feed the cat.

Now, I am content to have you label yourself an "Idealist", a "Liberal' or even a "Reformer", provided you don't assume that this gives you the right to ride free on the world and criticise the paying passengers.

Some one ought to point out occasionally that not all Idealists have been an asset, by any means. Persecution and wars are the fruits of Idealism, as well as revivals and reforms.

Said Anatole France: "Robespierre was an optimist who believed in virtue. If you want to make men perfect, you end, like Robespierre, by desiring to guillotine them. Marat believed in justice and demanded two hundred thousand heads".

This is too cynical a statement, but it contains a large grain of truth. Some one once asked me: "Are you a liberal or a conservative?"

I answered: "If, by a conservative, you mean a man who thinks that we live in the best of all possible worlds, then I am not a conservative. If, by a liberal, you mean a man who thinks that whatever is wrong, then I am not one of those, either.

Our present social order, with all its defects, represents the best that human being have been able to work out for themselves. Before any man sets himself up as a professional critic of it, I want to ask him four simple questions:

One: Have you a family and are you supporting it? If not, don't pick on me. I have, and am.

Two: Have you engaged in some gainful occupation and shared the problems and worries of the employers you are so ready to condemn?

Three: Are you tolerant and fair-minded toward those who disagree with you?

Four: Do you pay your bills?

I am an ineffectual being in an imperfect world. But if you are going to appoint yourself to act as my preceptor and guide, I insist that you first feed your cat.

Haldeman Julius has explained everything satisfactorily. Josephine is not an adopted daughter, but a natural one. The only irregularity attending her birth was, in the words of Haldeman, because 'our marriage in 1916 was delayed six years after her birth'. Now, talking about companionate marriages, there is a sample of them. Forty-eight states have laws against that sort of thing.—Missouri Democrat.

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Believe it or not:: J. A. Marshall of England stood on his finger tips holding 56 pounds in his teeth, May, 1927. Beethoven composed his greatest symphony when deaf. George Heckler, Louisville, 1886, made 21 hits, scored 17 runs in 29 times at bat. John Adkins shot 81 bullseyes in succession from 1000 yards.—K. C. Star.

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In the early days of this country it was a common thing to see wild deer, frequently in droves, but when a person sees one these days he gets the thrill of a lifetime. I. R. Shepard, who operates a bus line between West Plains and Poplar Bluff, saw a deer on the state highway No. 42 five miles out of Doniphan, while he was on his way from Poplar Bluff to West Plains early Monday morning. The deer dart across the road in front of the car and disappeared on the opposite side in the forest. The law protects the deer, as it is unlawful to kill a deer in this state until 1932. —West Plains Gazette.

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TENSE MOMENTS IN "THE BIG PARADE" OVERWHELMING

The first screen story of Laurence Stallings, noted newspaper man, novelist and playwright, has been booked for an engagement at the Malone Theatre starting next Monday.

This is "The Big Parade", a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production directed by King Vidor and starring John Gilbert.

The plot of "The Big Parade" might be written in one sentence—An American Boy Goes to France. Jim Apperson, son of a rich family, leaves for France without any heroic musings. Slim, a riveter, and Bull, a bartender, are in his company, and they become buddies for the duration of the big adventure. We follow them through their training in a rural French village where Jim meets Melisande and immediately forgets about the girl he left at home.

Then the big parade! The long line of lorries moving to the front Melisande is left standing in the road clutching on Jim's hob-nailed shoes. This is an exquisite scene, intelligently directed. Then the march through the forest with snipers and machine guns everywhere. The rhythm of this unbeatable advance of khaki-clad figures makes a deep impress. On and on until the climax in the shell-hole, when Jim goes over the top to avenege his two pals. You'll never see such a scene pictured on the screen again!

Supporting John Gilbert as the star are Renee Adoree as Melisande and such well-known players as Hobart Bosworth, Claire Adams, Claire McDowell, Karl Dane, Tom O'Brien Robert Ober and Rosita Marstini.

EUROPE'S LOSSES SHOW U. S. WISDOM WITH CATTLE PLAGUE

What this country has escaped by the prompt co-operation of State and Federal authorities in uncompromising application of the slaughter method of eradicating foot-and-mouth disease is suggested by Dr. R. Mohler, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, in commenting on the findings of the commission sent to Europe by the United States Department of Agriculure to study the disease in areas where it is prevalent.

Annual losses from this disease in Europe have amounted to more than $100,000,000, he says. As an example of the amazing ability of the virus to run wild through herds of livestock, the commission found in 1919 the number of infected farms in Germany was abont 12,000. The following year it had spread until 747,000 farms were infected.

In the Unted States animals affected or even exposed to infection have been slaughtered and burned or buried. Sporadic outbreaks have been confined, as a rule, to limited localities. The United States has specially trained and experienced veterinarians, who have learend the best methods and who can be sent to any district threatened.

SECRETARY OF LABOR INSISTS OPERATORS JOIN CONFERENCE

Washington, December 12.—Secretary Davis of the Labor Department today addressed telegrams to all the principal coal mining operators in Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania urging a reconsideration of their refusal to participate tomorrow in a conference with the miners' union leaders on the coal suspension.

"Nothing is ever lost by conference", the message said in part, "and with many operators losing money and thousands of miners out of work, the public has become very much interested".

BUILD CONSERVATION CAGES FOR CORN BORER PARASITES

In the fight waged against the European corn borer, scientists of the United States Department of Agriculture have sought far and wide for parasites which would not harm crops or animals in the United States, but which would prey on the corn borer and reduce the numbers of the pest. A dozen species in all have been imported and liberated in the borer-infested regions. Individuals of six of these species have been recovered later, indicating that the species had become established. It is not expected that the parasite will come anywhere near providing a complete control of the borer, at least not for several years. After the trouble and expense of importing and breeding these parasites, it was thought highly important they should not be destroyed in clean-up campaigns direced against the borers this year. It was also regarded desirable to have a supply of parasites to release in areas where parasites had not been released previously. For this purpose the department constructed ten parasite conservation cages. These were built in localities where parasites had been liberated. The cages were covered with fine copper screen, 18 meshes to the inch. They are 99 feet square and 7 feet high. Each cage provides space for the shocking of all the cornstalks grown on from 10 to 12 acres in each locality. When the parasites emerge from the stalks or from the borers they fly to the screen sides of the cage. Here it is possible to collect them for liberation where their parasitic services are desired.

Nearly 2,000,0000 parasites of 12 varieties have been liberated by entomologists of the Department of Agriculture. The search is going on for still other insects which may prove more deadly to the borers and better adapted to the climate and conditions of the Corn Belt than any yet discovered. There is always the possibility that some European or oriental parasite, which never has been particularly effective in its home region, may find conditions exactly to its liking in some part or all of the Corn Belt and prove an effective foe of the borer. "In the meantime", deparment entomologists state, "every corn grower in infested or threatened territory is urged to control the borer by following clean farm practices and clean cultural methods leading to the complete destruction of all the corn refuse from the current crop before the borers can emerge to do damage the following spring".

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LEVY ON 15,000 ACRES OF TIMBER LAND CUT

Bloomfield, December 11.—A reduction of $10 an acre in the 1926 assessment for taxation of approximately 15,000 acres of cutover timber land in this county, owned by the Himmelberger interests of Cape Girardeau, has been approved by the Stoddard County Court. The land is that in the lower drained area in the eastern section of the county.

While officials said that the question of a reduction in the assessment cmae after the actual tax lists had been drawn, they hled it to be legal, although in some instance it will mean a greater amount work for the collectors, who must reduce the assessment on each list, under the court's order.

In making its order, the court, by a two to one vote, held that the previous assessment, which had been approved by the State Tax Commission, was erroneous and ordered it corrected. Judge John R. Ezzell, however, dissented from the order, which was voted by Judges J. Y. Aslin and G. W. Bonner.

Officials of the Himmelberger-Harrison Land Co., a holding corporation, pointed out that the land is not in cultivation and that drainage axes imposed on it made the levy burdensome. It had previously been assessed at approximately $30 an acre.

Considerable criticism of the court's action in reducing the assessment has followed. The Vindciator, a weekly paper here published by Frank A. Brannock, a leading Democrat, attacked the action of the court in its issue last week, asserting the reduction was made without "wisdom and justice".

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Last week's Literary Digest contained a fine article on the infamous Tweed ring, an organization of political freebooters who plundered their city of $200,000,000. This gigantic crime was possible then for the same reason that graft is so widespread now, which was public indifference to what was going on. Tweed controlled courts which disbursed public funds and courts which were supposed to be courts of justice. Little rings and big rings are doing the same things in every part of the United States, their leaders shrieking all the while about extravagance elsewhere in order to distract attention from local abuses through which they are filling their dirty pocket. One of these days the public will wake up to what is going on, just as it did when Tweed carried things too far, whereupon there will be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth among the grafters and their official tools as the outer darkness swallows them up.

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TANK IDEA DEVELOPED IN WORLD WAR USED BY CHINESE THIRTY CENTURIES AGO

When, early the morning of November 20, 1917, some 350 tanks silently crept forward though the mist to pounce upon the sleeping "Hindenburg line", a new chapter was opened in the history of war, and one which today we are beginning to spell out and understand. Yet the plot contained in it is as old as organized warfare itself. There is nothing new under the sun; and though the Mark IV tank was new in the battle of Cambrai—new in that ten years ago it had only just been built—the tactical idea which it represented, namely protected mobility from which offensive power can be developed, was certainly fully realized 3000 years ago.

War chariots, it is true, had been used long before this date; but a chariot is not a tank, since its motive power is not protected. As far as I have been able to discover, says Col. J. F. C. Fuller, formerly staff officer of the British Tank Corps, writing in the London Graphic, the first true idea of a tank, or rather of a tank-like machine, arose in China, for, from the records of Sun Tse, we learn that in the twelfth century B. C. a war cart called "Lou" was in use. He writes:: "These carts had four wheels and held about a dozen men". He mentions no horse, consequently the motive power must have been provided by those inside. These war carts were armored with leather, and were used in attack or defense; they were also employed as dispatch carriers, since Sun-Tse says: "Some were detached to inform the main body in the rear what was happening".

From those early days there appears to have been no further evolution of the "Lou" in China. The next appearance of the tank idea is to be found in the West, or what today is the middle East. Xenophon, writing of the battle of Thymbra (554 B. C.), describes, in his highly imaginative way, how Cyrus drew up behind his battle front a line of wagons upon which towers were built and from which bowmen could fire. The tank idea here is cruder than the "Lou", for apparently these "turrets of artillery", as he calls them, had to be hauled into position by men or animals, consequently their motive power was not armored, but protected by the troops in advance of them. They were rather semi-mobile strong points, like the siege towers of the ancients.

The war elephants made use of at this period, and up to the opening of the Christian era, were not "tanks"; they were rather vulnerable "turrets of artillery", but more mobile than those described by Xenophon. Elephants in line, sometimes partially armored, like the chargers of the knights of the Middle Ages also were super-cavalry. They terrified the enemy's horses, and not infrequently, when tired of the battle "backwatered" through their own troops, as one classical writer informs us.

In Europe elephants as super-cavalry died out after the conquest of the Greeks by the Iomans; chariots lingered on in the East and in out-of-the-way places like England, but the tank idea was not abandoned. It cropped up again in the armored knights of the Crusades. The mail-clad knight on his feet was in every way a true tank. His mobility, tho' limited, was completely protected, and from it he could develop his offensive power. On foot he could not move far, so normally he fought on horseback. Here crept in the germ of his eventual decline. If the horse could have been completely armored all would have been still further developed. But this was not possible, since no horse could have been so equipped and simultaneously have carried the knight and his armor.

At Crecy a few small cannon are supposed to have been used. Be this as it may, 100 years after this battle was fought firearms began to come into general use. A new period of war was opened. Did the bullet and the cannon ball put to rest the tank idea? No, they brought it to full life. The protective power of body armor was losing strength daily, so to counteract it there was a return to the ancient Chinese "Lou". In 1395 Conrad Keyser invented a battle car moved by internal manpower, and a little later on one was built to hold no fewer than 100 men—it must have been a veritable moving fortress but excessively clumsy. In then out-of-the-way Scotland, in 1456 and 1471, two acts of parliament were passed concerning the use of these machines. These tanks were moved by horses within, were equipped with two guns, and on their establishment was "an cunnard man to shut thame".

But to move such vehicles by muscle-power, human or animal, was out of the question, so the inventive genius of the Renaissance turned to such mechanical power as then existed. In 1472, Valturio suggested wind wheels to drive them, and later on Simon Stevin suggested sails, or rather, mounting small sail-ships on wheels. The great Leonardo da Vinci, one of the most astonishing dreamers in the whole history of mechanics, built "covered and invulnerable chariots", and says: "Behind them the infantry can follow in safety and without opposition"—just as they did at the Battle of Cambrai. This was in 1492, and a little more than a hundred years later we find John Napier, of logarithm fame, engaged in developing the same idea. "A round chariot of metal made of the proof of double musket", he calls it. It was to be moved by some mechanical device which he does not mention. It, like the tank of 1917, was to break the enemy's battle front, "to destroy the environed enemy by continual charge and shot, the enemy in the meantime being abased and altogether uncertain of what defense or pursuit to use against a moving mouth of metal". How amazingly modern does this specification read!

From this time on to the day of James Watt, who produced the first practical steam engine in 1769, the tank idea crops up from time to time, but always in its early "Lou" form. Nothing much really had been learned since the twelfth century B. C. Simultaneously with Watt's invention, came Cugnot's steam automobile possessing a speed of two and one-half miles per hour. One year later, that is in 1770, Richard Lovell Edgeworth invented the "footed wheel', an arrangement which enabled an ordinary wheel to negotiate soft ground without sinking in. In Cugnot's automobile and Edgeworth's footed wheel are to be found in embryo the two main essentials of the future tanks—namely, internal motive power, and ability to traverse rough terrain.

The Crimean War, declared in 1854, being a war of mud and trenches, at once suggested the need of some form of footed wheel, with the result that some Boydle traction engines were fitted with them and did good work around Balaclava, which lay in a sea of mud. Simultaneously the difficulty of storming the Russian trenches led to a philanthropist, one James Cowen, suggesting to Lord Palmerston the use of armored traction engines fitted with scythes. These, like the ancient chariots, were to mow lanes through the enemy infantry. The suggestion was, however, considered too horrible to be adopted.

From the close of this war, in 1855, to the end of the South African War, in 1902, the tank idea continually cropped up in one form or another. Traction engines were generally suggested, and armored ones were sent out to fight the Boers. In this last mentioned war the "Lou" appeared again the the form of the bullet-proof ox-wagon, but nothing much came of these attempts. Meanwhile, in 1866, the third great period of warfare was initiated by the invention of an explosion motor by Daimler. The tank idea was about to become a 'living' thing. In 1904 it was placed in its cradle in the form of the first Daimler armored car. Four years later it began to "crawl", for a motor car fitted with tracks attained a speed of twenty miles an hour on Skegness beach.

That same year Major Donohoe invented a chain-track gun-carriage, a very tank-like looking thing. Nothing much happened for six years, until one of the most terrible wars in history swept over Europe.

The war was not a mobile war as it was expected to be; it was a war of mud, wire and trenches; and at once old "Lou" whsipered in many brains: 'Protect your mobility and you will win the war'. How to protect it? By armor! How to move it? By petrol! What of the mud, the wire, and the trenches? The footed wheel! So it happened that, in 1915, the first true tank was built in England by Major Wilson and Sir William Tritton, and September 15, 1916, it passed through its fire baptism on the fields of the Somme. Fourteen months later it won a victory which, though tactically was far from being a decisive one, historically is likely to prove one of the most epoch-making in the history of war.

For 3000 years the mind of the soldier had been struggling with an idea, ten years ago that idea became a fact and the war god turned over yet another page of his grim romance. To those who can read it, on it is written in blood and petrol the tragedy of the next great war.

It may be that a woman has a smaller stock of words than a man, but think of the turnover.—San Diego Union-Tribune.

Beating swords into plowshares won't help if they keep on beating twisted versions of history into the heads of children.—Beaumont Enterprise-Journal.



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VALLEY ASKED BREAD AND IS OFFERED STONE

Washington, December 10.—The recommendations of the administration for keeping the flood waters of the Mississippi in check, Senator Hawes, Democrat, Missouri, declared today, having fallen short of what the people of the valley have been led to expect by representatives of the president.

Instead of embodying constructive policies, the present proposal means merely that the "pork barrel, log rolling method" of meeting the river problem will be continued, he said, terming it a keen disappointment to those interested in flood relief.

"What America demands is not a continuance of the pork barrel, shifting vacillating and heretofore inadequate program", he continued, "but a new, definite, comprehensive and effective policy of flood control in the Mississippi Valley".

Although considerable opposition to the administration plan had been indicated in the House, especially among southern and western representatives, none of the members of the body's flood control committee, which is framing the flood legislation, would not comment today. They have been studying the program carefully since it was received by Congress.

The criticism of its opponents in the House is centered about the financial recommendations which would divide the cost of the project between the federal government and valley states with the government paying 80 per cent. The westerners object particularly to the refusal to permit construction of reservoirs on the headwaters of the Mississippi's tributaries in the arid western states.

Senator Hawes especially disapproved the contention that lands along the Mississippi River should bear 20 per cent of the cost of flood control work. He contended that this part of the report showed a misunderstanding of the situation, and declared the whole report a markeshift of engineering recommendations.

"The lands along the Lower Mississippi River are already heavily bonded, and have expended over $151,000,000 for flood protection", the Missourian said. "A large portion of this amount has been expended under the present machinery. The United States government has expended from its funds $71,000,000.

"It is very doubtful if additional bonds could be sold to raise the $37,000,000 in addition to the money which will be required for rights of way and damages, as proposed to the report, particularly when there is nothing in the report to indicate that protection is certain. Testimony shows that in eight counties of Southeast Missouri affected by the recent flood one-sixth of the land has been sold at forced sales in default of payment of indebtedness upon it. This is a serious situation, but the engineers recommend that these lands bear 20 per cent of the flood program designed to relieve them.

"If a problem which destroys property to the value of a quarter of a billion dollars, takes a heavy toll in human life and drives from their homes three-quarters of a million people in the heart of the nation is not wholly national in character, I do not know what would constitute a national problem".

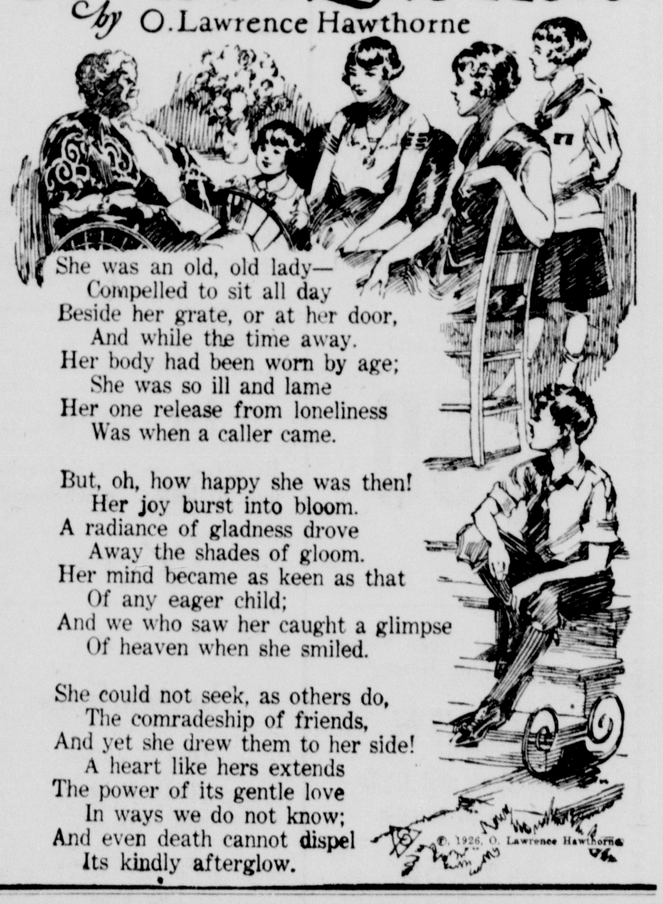
Senator Hawes has introduced a resolution under which it would be declared the policy of the government to assume the entire charge, direction and expense of flood control work and to view navigation and flood control in the Mississippi and its tributaries as conneeted and correlated subjects.

Friendly nations are the ones that can get together and agree on the kind of weapons they'll use the next time they fight.—Parkersburg (W. Va.) Sentinel.

Although Brazil furnishes the world with its carbonadoes, or black diamonds, that need ont deter us from seeking them in this country. A few are said to have been picked up in Pike County, Ark., where brilliants are also being mined to a limited degree, and gems up to six and a half carats have been found. Single diamonds, white crystals, have been picked up along the eastern base of the Appalachian Range, in Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and along the path of the glacial drift in Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana and Ohio. Others have been found in California, Idaho and Montana. The largest diamond was picked up by a laborer excavating in a street in Manchester, Va., in 1855. It weighed 23¾ carats.

A Heart Like Hers

by O. Lawrence Hawthorne



She was an old, old lady—
Compelled to sit all day
Beside her grate, or at her door,
And while the time away.
Her body had been worn by age;
She was so ill and lame
Her one release from loneliness
Was when a caller came.

But, oh, how happy she was then!
Her joy burst into bloom.
A radiance of gladness drove
Away the shades of gloom.
Her mind became as keen as that
Of any eager child;
And we who saw her caught a glimpse
Of heaven when she smiled.

She could not seek, as others do,
The comradeship of friends,
And yet she drew them to her side!
A heart like hers extends
The power of its gentle love
In ways we do not know;
And even death cannot dispel
Its kindly afterglow.

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Electric Irons

THE GIFT SHOP
Derris—The Druggist



MARTIN jabbed his knife into the block, folded the apron gingerly, and jammed it into a hamper in the back room. He sighed.

"By Golly! The first time I've had even to think! Dread 'em every year. Tomorrow's Christmas." He shrugged deprecatingly. Something about the drooping half-sneer of his mouth was pathetic.

A brindle and white mongrel paused for a moment in his excited search for scraps, eyed his companion quizzically, and returned resolutely to his sniffing.

"Turkeys and ducks and chickens, 's all they think of. Now and then bacon or ham. I used to think Christmas was different."

The young man rolled down his sleeves and reached for his coat.

"Even she—" his bitterness deepened, "with everything. Fifteen-pound turkey! Lord! I wonder what she'd think if she knew how I feel. More than likely doesn't know I'm alive, and me falling all over myself to save best cuts for her! Oh well, come on, Spud!"

Spud crunched a meat scrap reluctantly.

"All right. Finish that. No hurry." Martin strolled to the window and gazed out at the other festive shop displays. "Christmas 's just a day people take off to eat and give presents in, and if you don't know anybody and room out, there's nothing to it."

"One thing, Spud!" Martin's voice brightened. Spud wagged a responsive tail without looking up. "In two months we'll have the mortgage paid off this joint! Gad, it's been a pull getting started into business. Ten long, long months to save two hundred dollars.

Outside a light snow was falling. Late shoppers, hurrying along, laden with bundles, scarcely glanced at the



tall young philosopher who, followed by a heterogeneous dog, strolled homeward. The excluding gayety of Christmas Eve laughter and brightly lighted houses intensified Martin's loneliness. He passed the house where she lived and strained his eyes for a glimpse of her. In fancy, he told her about Spud, the market, and even hinted of his love for her.

From down the street a group of children carolled "Silent Night." Martin smiled bitterly. He, too, had believed that story of the birth of a Christ child, once. A "prof" at college had refuted it. Too bad. Pretty story.

She had come to the window now to listen. How lovely she— D—n!

The carol had broken off into terrified screams. A car sped away. Martin found frightened children shivering over the writhing form of a boy. Martin carried him to the light. It was the fellow who bought bits of liver and now and then a scrawny soup bone.

The girl must have seen the accident for she had come out and was saying that she had called an ambulance. They both rode through the crunching snow to the hospital and waited silently.

"Not as bad as we had feared," the doctor finally announced. "Sad case, though. Little fellow is moaning now about who'll take care of his mother. Rent not paid, he says. Seems he's been earning all they've had. When I told him he might be here three months—well, I never saw a kid so down-hearted."

Martin hesitated. "I've got two hundred dollars," he heard himself saying. "If that would do the kid and his mother." He had a fleeting desperate picture of another ten months of saving and stalling off the second mortgage.

He walked home with the girl. Her name was Mary. A regular Christmas name, he said. She smiled.

"That was a beautiful thing to do, Mr. Bowman," she told him. "Did you notice the peace and happiness in that little fellow's face after the doctor had told him? Mr. Bowman, I—"



she hesitated, "I don't suppose you'd care to, but I—we'd like to have you eat Christmas dinner with us. I went up this afternoon to ask you, but you were entirely too busy to notice me and—"

"Too busy to notice you!" Martin gasped. "I thought you'd never noticed me!"

Spud had been waiting. His sleepy accusation as he arose from the doorstep was scarcely noticed. The song of the little injured caroler was running through Martin's mind and replacing a cynical philosophy.

"It was a silent night like this," he said. Thoughtfully, he looked up. In the east, one star seemed larger than the others.

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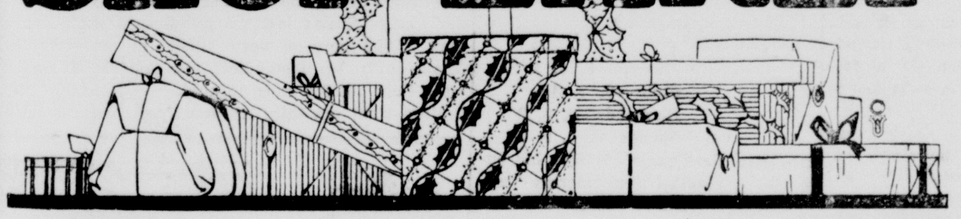


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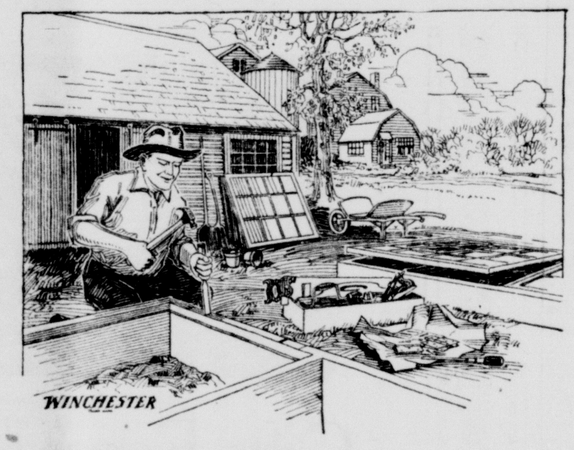


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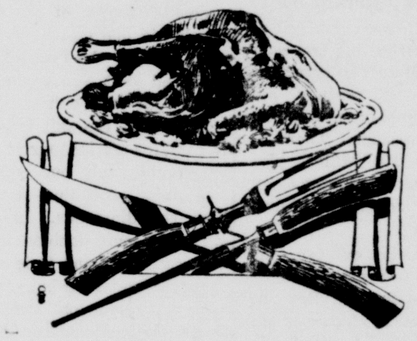
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How to Play BRIDGE

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ARTICLE NO. 14

One of the greatest charms of auction bridge is the fact that practically all players feel that they play as well as the next fellow. Therefore they get much more enjoyment from playing on what they consider an equal basis that if they considered themselves inferior. The old saying that "There is nothing new under the sun", seems to apply equally well to auction bridge. Whist, as probably most of my readers know, was the forerunner of Bridge, as Bridge was the predecessor of our present game of Auction Bridge. In the days of Whist as well as now, the players thought pretty well of their game, as is shown by the following quotation from "The Posthumous Papers of the Pickwicl Club":

"' There!' said the criminal Miller triumphantly, as he took on the odd trick at the conclusion of a hand; 'that could not have been played better. I flatter myself—impossible to have made another trick!'

" 'Miller ought to have trumped the diamond, oughn't he sir?' said the old lady.

Mr. Pickwick nodded assent.

" Ought I though ' said the unfortunate, with a doubtful appeal to his partner.

" 'You ought, Sir', said the fat gentleman in an awful voice.

" 'Very sorry', said the crestfallen Miller.

" 'Much use that', growled the fat gentleman".

Mr. Pickwick started his travels in 1827 so that the quotation, describing conditions in Whist a century ago, shows how little human nature has changed in the meantime. There are undoubtedly many Mr. Millers playing today who fancy their game, and as many fat gentlemen who delight in criticizing them.

In preceding articles, reference has been made to the informatory double and its proper application. Here are two hands of a similar character that bring out still further principles:

Hand No. 1

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—8, 7, 3
Clubs—9, 4
Diamonds—A, K, 5
Spades—J, 7, 6, 5, 2

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one spade, A doubled (informatory) and Y passed. What should B bid? B has the choice of passing the one spade double in the hope that he and his partner can defeat the bid, or of bidding one no-trump. A great many players would probably pass and try to defeat the bid but such procedure seems unsound. At most, B cannot figure his hand worth more than thre or possibly four tricks. Therefore unless B's partner can take four tricks, Z will make his bid. On the other hand, if the no-trump is bid, B's hand has possibilities of game. As between a doubtful pass and a sure source at no-trump, there is no choice. The no-trump should be bid without question.

Hand No. 2

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—9, 4, 2
Clubs—9, 7, 3
Diamonds—9, 6, 2
Spades—J, 6, 5, 3

No score, first game. Z deal, bid one spade, A doubled (informatory) and Y passed. What should B bid?

This situation comes up so frequently that it should be carefully noted. When your partner makes an informatory double and the only four-card suit you hold is the one doubled you can do one of two things:: First, if the suit is strong enough to act as a double stopper of the suit bid, you should bid one no-trump. This shows your partner the type of hand you hold and that you probably have no other four-card suit.

Second, if the suit is so weak that it contains no stopper in the suit bid or possibly only one, you should bid two clubs, or if that is the suit doubled, two diamonds. In other words, when the suit doubled is your only four-card suit and it is too weak to justify a no-trump bid, you should bid two of a minor suit two clubs if that is not the sui doubled; otherwise two diamonds. This is a sensible rule and should be closely followed.

In his example hand, the point is well brought out. Four spades to the jack is too weak to justify a no-trump bid, so B has no choice but to bid two clubs.

Answer to Problem No. 15

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—J, 10
Clubs—A, 7, 6
Diamonds—8
Spades—10, 9, 7

Hearts— 3
Clubs—J, 5, 3, 2
Diamonds—none
Spades—Q, J, 6, 5

Hearts—K, Q, 8, 7
Clubs—Q, 10, 9, 4
Diamonds—5
Spades—none

Hearts—6
Clubs—K, 8
Diamonds—Q, J, 10, 9, 7, 6
Spades—none

Diamonds are trumps and Z is in the lead. How can Z play the hand so that he can win all of the tricks against any defense? Z should lead out six rounds of diamonds. A is forced to make six discards. His first five are easy. He can discard the trey of hearts, the deuce of clubs and the jack, six, five of spades. Y must make only five discards. His first four are easy as he can discard two hearts and two spades. B must also make five dsicards and his first four are also easy. He should discard three hearts and one club. At the sixth trick the cards held by the four players are as follows:

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—none
Clubs—A, 7, 6
Diamonds—none
Spades—10

Hearts—none
Clubs—J, 5, 3
Diamonds—none
Spades—Q

Hearts—K
Clubs—Q, 10, 9
Diamonds—none
Spades—none

Hearts—6
Clubs—K, 8
Diamonds—6
Spades—none

Z now leads his six of diamonds. What can A discard? If he discards his spade, Y's ten of spades is good. Therefore A is forced to discard the trey of clubs. Y should now discard the ten of spades. What can B discard? If he discards the king of hearts, Z's six of hearts is good. Therefore B is forced to discard the nine of clubs.

Z now should lead the king of clubs, then the eight, winning the second club trick in Y's hand with the ace. Y's last club is now good and Y-Z in this way win all of the tricks against any defense, by forcing discards from both A and B.

This forcing of discards is called the "squeeze"; and when effective against both opponents, as in this problem, is called the "double squeeze". It is a pretty little problem and should be studied carefully.

Great Britain thinks we ought to cut our tariff. The chickens next door think we ought to leave our gate open.—American Lumberman.

"Nobody knows how dry I am" used to be a song instead of a politician's declaration of principles.—Stockton Independent.

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1 FATALITY ANNUALLY TO EACH 832 AUTOS

Chicago, December 12.—About 170,000 presons in Illinios will be injured and approximately 1700 killed in automobile accidents this year, unless there is an unexpected improvement in the accident rate, an official stated. This prediction is made on the basis of 1647 automobile fatalities in Illinois last year and the fact that in Illinois as a state one person is either killed or fatally injured annually in a motor accident for approximately each 832 cars.

According to the experience of the Travelers' Insurance Co. of Hartford Conn., appropximately 100 persons are hurt for every fatality. Henee if 1700 should be killed this year, about 170,000 would be hurt in Illinois in motor mishaps.

Illinois' automobile fatality record is considerably greater than that of the country as a whole, for taking the United States in its entirety, one person is either killed or fatally hurt in a motor accident for each 1000 cars. In 1926 only New York and Pennsylvania exceeded Illinois in the number of motor fatalities. Throughout the United States last year, more than 23,000 persons were killed or fatally injured in motor accidents and more than 700,000 were injured.

More than one-third as many persons are killed in automobile accidents in rural districts, where conditions are more dangerous but where drivers use more cars.

An investigation of motor vehicle fatality rates by the National Safety Council shows hat the rate has increased about the same way for larger cities as for smaller cities, and that the density of population apparenly does not effect the motor vehicle death rate.

NEW TYPE OF FLOOD FORECAST FOR AREA BACK OF LEVEES

A service never before undertaken by the Weather Bureau was carried on in connection with the great floods of 1927 in the lower Mississippi Valley. This was the prediction of the rate at which the water would travel over-flowed lands adjacent to the river. Information obtained from records of previous floods indicated that a flood moving across country behind the levees requires about three times as long as to reach a given place as is required for a flood in the river proper. Following the natural contour of the country, the overland flood travels about 13 miles a day, or, in a straight line, only 7 or 8 miles a day.

In order to make forecasts of the movement of the flood water down the Tensas and Atchafalaya Basins a contour map was necessary. There was no such map in existence, and therefore the official in charge of the Weather Bureau office at New Orleans, after securing elevations and profiles from the railroad lines, constructed a map, which answered the purpose for the time being. Then it became possible to issue specific warnings for each locality where overflow was threatened. These warnings covered not only the specific dates when flood waters might be expected to reach threatened localities but also gave the estimated depth of the water that might be expected. They carried advices as to whether or not specific localities should be evacuated and when, and indicated points from which evacuation was not necessary, thereby saving much property, expense, discomfort, and suffering. The conditions that occurred largely verified the forecasts both in respect to time of occurrence of overflow and the depth.

Soviet would have more trade relations if it had less betrayed relations.—Wall Street Journal.

One thing the members of those Chicago gangs do not need to worry about is old age.—Indianapolis News.

To a Conservative, the good old days were when kings traveled incognito instead of impromptu.—Anderson (Ind.) Herald.

Just how much praise would the busy bee get if he spent his time storing up something man couldn't steal?—Bethlehem Globe.



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TUESDAY MORNING

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BOWMAN RESIDENCE DAMAGED BY FIRE

The handsome home of L. R. Bowman, facing Malone Park, was badly damaged by fire and water Sunday evening about 6:30.

The house was a frame with brick veneer outside and the fire gained headway between the wooden frame and the brick walls that made the fire an unusually hard one to fight. It was necessary to chop holes in the floor and walls in order to play the water on the blaze. The fire department was on duty several hours before the fire was completely out.

The wiring of the house branched out from a net work of wires and it is believed the fire started from some of the wires that the insulation had been destroyed.

A rough estimate of damage is around $6000 with damage to house covered by insurance.

This was one of the beautiful homes of Sikeston and the public are glad that the damage was no greater and hope to see repair work started at an early date.

BONDSMEN TO MEET BEFORE JANUARY COUNTY COURT

Last week James A. Finch, attorney for the bondsmen for the old Benton Bank, was here and agreed with the county court to get the bondsmen together before the January erm of the Scott County Court and get some kind of understanding about the money tied up because of the closing of the bank.

Last week's list of bondsmen, as printed in the Democrat was not complete. Here are the persons who signed the bond: W. H. Heisserer, Arthur Chrismon, Emil Steck, James McPheeters, J. F. Misfeldt, Anton Legrand, S. J. Wade, C. S. Tanner, Mrs. Florence Marshall and A. Baudendistel.—Benton Democrat.

Even in the old days a lot of fellows kissed the bride, but not so many before the ceremony.—Vallejo (Cal.) Chronicle.

SUBMARINE AT BOTTOM OF OCEAN AFTER CRASH

Providence, Mass., December 17.—The fate of 43 officers and men, the crew of the U. S. S. submarine S-4, was in doubt tonight as the vessel lay on the ocean floor in deep water off this port, after a collision with the coast guard destroyer Paulding.

Whether the hull of the submarine was crushed and her crew all drowned, or whether the crash had merely disabled her machinery and made it impossible for her to come to the surface, still was unknown. Those who witnessed the collision feared, however, that a major marine disaster had resulted, comparable to the loss of the submarine S-51 in September, 1925. When that vessel was sunk in collision with the steamship City of Rome, off Block Island, 33 officers and men perished.

The destroyer, on patrol duty off Provicetown, was making for the harbor. Suddenly her lookout saw the S-4 running submerged dead ahead. There was no time to swerve from the course and the vessels crashed. The destroyer made port with her lower hold flooded. The Paulding was struck amidships, but the point at which the submarine felt the force of the blow was not known.

The S-4 went down immediately. Boats that crused about the place for hours found no survivors, giving the faint hope that the submarine's hull had not been pierced. A fresh breeze and rough seas hampered the work of the small boats taking part in the work of rescue.

The S-4 went down a bare 1800 yards from the shore off Wood End Coast Guard Station, which is situated on the outer or ocean side of the harbor. The water at that point is very deep, which, it was admitted, would increase the difficulties of raising the sunken vessel.

The Paulding's wireless message reporting the collision started a rescue fleet from the New London coast guard and submarine bases, and from the Boton and Portsmouth, N. H. navy yards. The submarine tender Dandank was the first to reach the position of the collision. The Wood End Coast Guard Station sent its lifeboats to search for possible survivors, but without result.

RECOVERS AFTER ROD PENETRATES HEAD

Hammond, Ind., December 17.—Paul Kosty, 36, who did not appear to have one chance in 1,000,000 to survive a peculiar accident, got the benefit of that one chance, and has gone home from a hospital fully recovered.

On June 26, Kosty, an employe of the La Salle Steel Company, was working at a machine when he lost control of a rod being run through the shaper. The rod was of steel, three-quarters of an inch in diameter and red hot. It pierced his jaw under the chin and emerged at his temple. Twenty-two feet of the rod passed through his jaw and face before the machinery could be stopped.

Surgeons say the red hot rod seared the tissues, thus preventing infection and fatal loss of blood and, fortunately, did not penetrate any nerve center affecting his brain, hearing or sight.

A. J. RENNER IS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF AGENTS

A. J. Renner was elected president of the County Agents Association of Missouri at the annual session held in Columbia last week. This election comes as a well deserved recognition of Mr. Renner's worth to the association. Max Keyer, agent in Cape Girardeau county, was elected on the board of directors.—Benton Democrat.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

E. L. Simpson to E. W. Kjer, part lot 3, all lots 4, 5, block 3 Doom addition Illmo, $1500.

Frank Compas to First State Bank of Fornfelt, lots 15, 16 block 3 Schuette addition Fornfelt, $1.

Joe Mackley to Mary Watson, 40 acres 8-27-15, $2400.

I. H. Capshaw to B. J. Grieshaber, lots 24, 25 block 36 Chaffee, $1628.

Barney Schuemer to Clement Brockmeyer, land 26-29-13, $3000.

C. H. Horstman to J. P. Lightner, part lots 9-12 block 7 Illmo, $1.—Benton Democrat.

Scientists who are searching for lost civilizations should visit some of our traffic centers.—Boroklyn Eagle.

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HERE IS THE HISTORY OF OUR STOCKINGS

With Christmas approaching and most everybody looking around for a stocking to hang up, the following history of stockings should be of special interest to Standard readers:

Historians record that the French were the first to make stockings of any kind. This attempt dates back to the seventh century. At that time stockings were made of cloth or leather, and were very crude. The Scotch produced the first knitted hose, towards the end of the fifteenth century; these were wool. Before that the stockings worn, by those who wore them at all, were made of linen, cloth or silk, according to the wearer's station in life. The very poor wore blanket cloth, while the rich chose velvet. But these were not stockings in the sense that we know them, and the word "stocking" itself came in with the knitted article.

But even in those days there were styles in leg-coverings, and gold embroideries were made on velvet hose, not to mention a style idea prevailing in the fifteenth century, of having the stocking consist of pieces of varied shapes cut and sewed together. Chaucer tells us that in his time England was gay indeed in her choice of hose. Red and white and blue and white were popular color combinations. Novelties were just as much in demand then as now, and very early "clocks" took their place as a form of decoration, as the most enduring of the designs devised.

So great was the admiration for the silk stockings that shortly after their introduction into France it was not unusual for a really opulent person to appear at important gatherings wearing several pairs. And one young beau is mentioned who fared forth wearing twelve pairs of stockings at one time.

The Scottish brand of stockings introduced in the fifteenth century were handmade, and as the women walked the fields or streets, they carried their work along and knitted as they went. Each woman could knit about two pairs of stockings a week, while the very fines ones—corresponding to our "chiffon" weights today—took six months to finish, and fetched 3 and 4 pounds sterling a pair. It was inevitable that the stocking frame and machine ultimately should supplant this quaint phase of the industry, and the first machine-knitted stockings were made in 1589 by the English inventor, William Lee. It is said that he presented the first pair to Queen Elizabeth and that she was delighted with the gift. With many changes and constant improvement, silk stockings from that day to this have been an important part of feminie costume.

LOCAL PLANT CARRIES SUNDAY ELECTRIC LOAD

The emergency plant of the Missouri Utilities Co. in Sikeston is carrying the load for Sikeston every Sunday in order to keep it in good order for any emergency. It is a smooth piece of machinery and is giving splendid satisfaction. It will not carry the shoe factory and the City of Sikeston at the same time, but can carry the business section and the factory at the same time.

While looking over this fine piece of machinery, a Standard representative called at the shop of Lon Swanner, water commissioner, and found everything in applie pie order.

This place is the pumping station for the city water. It will be worth the while of any citizen to visit both the light and pumping plant to see how well kept everything is. The grounds around the pumping station has long been one of the pretty spots of Sikeston.

Maybe some of these days, the unsightly building used as a laundry will be replaced by a modern building that will add much to the beauty of the grounds.



KITCHEN BULLETIN HEADS LIST OF HOUSEHOLD HELPS

More and more housewives are learning that kitchen work is not necessarily drudgery if the arrangement of the room and its equipment are well thought out. One of the evidences of this practical attitude is that the year's "best seller" from Uncle Sam's household bookshelf is Farmers' Bulletin 1513-F, "Convenient Kitchens", of which 363,717 free copies were distributed last year. Bulletins on household subjects are for the most part prepared, as was "Convenient Kitchens", by the Bureau of Home Economics.

Next in popularity among the home bulletins was information on canning. Some 318,386 copies of Farmers' Bulletin 1471-F, "Canning Fruits and Vegetables at Home", were sent out during the year. Perhaps the fact that 130,597 copies of Farmers' Bulletin 1313-F, "Good Proportions in the Diet", were called for, explains in part this interest in food preservation. People in general are more anxious than ever to learn how to feed their families properly. Also dealing with good nutrition are Farmers' Bulletin 717-F, "Food for Young Children", and Farmers' Bulletin 712-F, "School Lunches", of which 88,377 copies and 75,094 copies, respectively, were issued.

Two others among the most wanted bulletins reflect the desire to lessen drudgery and improve methods of work. Farmers' Bulletin 1497-F, "Methods and Equipment for Home Laundering", and Farmers' Bulletin 1180-F, "Housecleaning Made Easier", must also be ranked among the "six best sellers", for 11,600 copies of the first and 104,605 copies of the second went out. All in all, 2,129,946 free copies of 27 publications of interest in the home were distributed by the United States Department of Agriculture during the year. This is exclusive of sales through the Government Printing Office.

Carthage—New stone light posts being put in place on east side of square.

Elvns—Union Electric Light & Power Company cuts in new series of street lights here.

[illegible]berries from Plant City, Fla., arrived Thursday in St. Louis, and sold wholesale at $2.25 a quart. The shipment consisted of 128 quarts.

BECKY ROGERS GIVEN 14 YEARS IN PRISON

Lagrange, Texas, December 17.—Rejecting an insanity plea, a jury of men in district court here today convicted Mrs. Rebecca Bradley Rogers, 22-year-old former University of Texas co-ed, on a charge of robbing the Farmers' National Bank of Buda, Texas, and fixed the penalty at 14 years in prison.

The defendant received the verdict calmly, but to her husband, Otis Rogers, young attorney, whose dramatic appeal for either liberty or the electric chair for his wife moved spectators in the courtroom to tears yesterday, it proved a shock.

Agreement was reached by the jurors 12 hours after they had been sent to bed last night urged by District Attorney Fred Blundell to return a verdict "that will set a precedent in the southwest and warn women and girls".

Rogers had pleaded death for his young wife rather than a term in the penitentiary. He termed her "unbalanced", as did three alienists who testified for the defense.

Blundell had urged that the real defense presented was that "the defendant is a woman".

The death penalty would have been possible, as Mrs. Rogers was charged with having used a revolver when she held up two officials of the Buda bank last December and obtained $1000. Robbery with firearms is a capital offense in Texas, with a minimum penalty of five years in prison.

At the time of the robbery Mrs. Rogers was employed at Austin as a stenographer in the office of Attorney General Dan Moody, now governor. Her secret marriage to Rogers, while both were university students, was revealed after her arrest.

Recently she was tried on a charge of arson, but the jury disagreed after hearing an insanity plea. The day before the Buda robbery, Mrs. Rogers is alleged to have burned a house at Round Rock, Texas, in a scheme to rob the bank there.

Rogers, who is suffering from tuberculosis, was keenly affected by the verdict. He told the jury his wife had been working as a waitress recently to provide medical care for him. Mrs. Grace Bradley, mother of Rebecca, took the conviction calmly.

Mrs. Rogers gave not the slightest sign of concern, maintaining the same disinterested air that carried her through the two weeks of trial.

Until her motion for a new trial is acted upon, she must go to Fayette County jail, her attorneys said. No bond can be given until the motion is acted upon nad that may not be until Tuesday or Wednesday, they explained.

MISSOURI WINTER WHEAT REPORTED DOING WELL

Columbia, Mo., December 16.—Winter wheat was generally well rooted and in good shape for the cold months, says the monthly Missouri report of the United States Weather Bureau, made public here today.

Reviewing November weather conditions, the report stated last month was not markedly unfavorable for outdoor work, although most work was temporarily halted or otherwise interfered with by too much rain and excessive cloudiness. "Adverse effects were felt in the heavy clothing line of business", says the report, "as indicated by reduced sales during November".

The whole nation would profit if Big Bill Thompson ever got the idea that crooks and gunmen are British propaganda.—Arkansas Gazette.

"The law of supply and demand", says W. B. Greely, head of the Forestry Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, "is working steadily to create timber values which in large portions of the United States will pay fair returns on forestry as a business".

Radio telephoney has been adopted by whale fishermen. One of the vessels of the fleet has been equipped with a half-kilowatt set, and when a school of whales are sighted other ships are immediately informed by telephone, so that all can make for the best spot for hunting. Messages were sent as far as 2000 miles during the past season. With the use of the radio whalers now expect to invade seas which, on account of ice barriers and difficult outlets, were impossible with the ordinary magnetic compass because of its almost uselessness in the Antarctic regions, where whales are most plentiful.

HAUGEN TO PRESENT FARM BILL TODAY

Washington, December 18.—Increase of the revolving fund from $250,000,000 to $400,000,000 will be provided in the slightly revised farm relief bill which will be introduced in the House today by Representative Haugen (Rep.), Iowa, co-author of the McNary-Haugen bill and chairman of the Agriculture Committee.

Haugen said today that his bill also would include all basic agricultural commodities and will provide a $25,000,000 appropriation to establish terminal market facilities. Otherwise it will be essentially the same as the measure which was passed at the last session of Congress and vetoed by President Coolidge, he said, including the equalization fee, to which the administration objected.

He plans to take up the measure in the Agriculture Committee on January 10 and to limit hearings to five days.

"I feel confident that the bill again will pass the House", he said.

Haugen denied there was any "politics" in his advocacy of the bill, in commenting on recent charges that the measure is being used in preparing the way for a move for nomination of former Gov. Lowden of Illinois as Republican presidential candidate.

"I am not concerned with politics, but with relief for the farmer", he said.

The McNary-Haugen bill of last session specified certain basic commodities. The measure Haugen will introduce today specifies none, but leaves application of the machinery of the bill to commodities to the discretion of the Federal Farm Board, which is provided to operate it.

The measure provides for repayment of the $25,000,000 funds for terminal facilities by the co-operatives in yearly installments.

Even in Bible times it was customary to anoint the head with oil, but not by crawling under the car.—Wichita Falls Record-News.

The KITCHEN CABINET



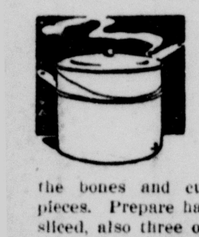
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Flower in the crannied wall,
I pluck you out of the crannies;
I hold you here, root and all, in my hand,
Little flower—but if I could understand
What you are, root and all, and all in all,
I should know what God and man is.

—Tennyson.

THINGS YOU LIKE

A fresh fish chowder is one of the dishes which should be oftener upon our tables. When the fresh fish are not obtainable, the salt codfish is always available.



Fresh Fish Chowder.— Take two pounds of fresh fish, remove the bones and cut into small-sized pieces. Prepare half a dozen potatoes sliced, also three onions sliced; cover with boiling water and cook all together with the fish. When all are tender, add the fat and diced salt pork browned, a quart of milk and as many milk crackers as servings Serve well seasoned with salt and pepper.

Sour Cream Pie.—To one-half cupful of sour cream add one-half cupful of sugar, the yolks of two eggs well beaten, one-half teaspoonful of cinamon, one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves, a pinch of salt, one-half cupful of raisins chopped fine. Line a pie tin with pastry, fill and cover. Bake in a hot oven long enough to bake the pastry, then lower the heat to bake the custard. If liked, the pie may be baked with one crust, and covered with meringue.

Scotch Short Bread. — Weigh two pounds of bread flour, one pound of butter and one and one-half pounds of sugar. Sift the flour and set the pan in the oven to warm, slightly stirring to heat all evenly. Cream the butter until it is waxy; add the sugar gradually, beating hard until the whole is well mixed. Squeeze and knead with the hands until the mixture is well blended—the better the mixing the better the bread. Lay the dough on a lightly-floured board and press the mixture into a sheet one-half inch in thickness. Do not use the rolling pin or add more flour. Heat a sharp knife and cut into squares or oblongs, place on a baking sheet, prick well with a fork and bake in a moderate oven until brown.

Nellie Maxwell

The KITCHEN CABINET



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The free use of soups and fresh vegetables is wise for those persons who have a tendency to overindulgence in eating.

SOUPS, FAVORITE DISHES

There are two kinds of soup—stimulating and nourishing. The nutritive soups are cream of potato, or meat broth with vegetables. The stimulating soups are prepared from meat extracts and are of the clear soup variety. The nourishing soup, such as cream of celery, asparagus or potato, with bread and butter will provide a sustaining meal. Bouillon is simply a stimulating soup, but it is valuable as a beginning to a meal as it warms the stomach and prepares it for the food which follows.



Beef Broth.—Cut two pounds of lean beef into small dice, break the bones, using a pound or two and put them with the meat into a saucepan; cover with two quarts of cold water and when boiling add one carrot, one turnip, one onion, all diced, and a bunch of herbs. Simmer for three hours, add two tablespoonfuls of cooked rice and serve hot with croutons.

Mushrooms With Scrambled Eggs.—Break into small pieces a pint of fresh mushrooms, sprinkle with salt and let stand one-half hour. Into a saucepan put two tablespoonfuls of butter, add the mushrooms and liquor and cook at the simmering point for ten minutes. Season with pepper and salt, then add the yolks of five eggs slightly beaten, mix well and fold in the stiffly beaten whites. Serve on hot buttered toast.

Fruit Punch.—Take one grated fresh pineapple and cook for fifteen minutes with one quart of water, strain and cool. Boil four cupfuls of sugar with two cupfuls of water five minutes, let cool and add this sirup to the pineapple water. Now add the juice of six lemons, ten oranges, two grapefruit, one quart of grape juice and one quart of strawberries cut into halves, two bananas sliced, one cucumber unpeeled but sliced, four quarts of water, two sprigs of mint, and one cupful of fresh tea infusion. Cover closely and chill two hours. Serve well iced.

Nellie Maxwell

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY AT SIKESTON, MISSOURI

Entered at the Postoffice at Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, as second-class mail matter, according to act of Congress.

Rates:
Display advertising, per single column inch, net 25c
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The report has been current for some time that a shortage existed in the city finances, but to date no arrest have been made, hence no names are printed. Something like $1600 has been hypothecated by some one connected with the city administration and the public would like to know what is being done about it, or what is going to be done about it. The grand jury will convene again December 27 and we are told will probably pass on the case.

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The little girl from down the country says the trial marriage suggestion would not have caused surprise if it had come from an old maid, instead of from a married man.—Commercial Appeal.

Cities of the size of Sikeston are limited to pay but $1100 salary to members of the commission under the commission form of government. The next, and most important thing will be, to get the right type of men to serve for such a small salary. It is true that the commission could organize so that each member could attend to such duies as would be assigned them, and act but a couple of hours each day and that at stated hours. It will take a lot of propaganda to inform the public about this change of city government.

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There was a big 'gin" fire at Sikeston, Mo., Sunday night, but it was a "cotton gin" and bootleggers did not disturb or attempt to save the contents. Charlie Blanton, the dry editor of The Sikeston Standard, was so "dry" during the fire that he "spit cotton'.—Missouri Democrat.

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Another of the Judas Iscariots in the State Senate who betrayed the Democracy in the last session of the legislature has received his reward. His brother has been appointed a member of the State Highway Commission to succeed Hugh Stephens, who refused to follow the behest of Governor Baker and make a political machine of the Commission.—Ironton Register.

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Galena—New bridge across James River here formally dedicated.

We believe it is safe to say that a large majority of the business men and citizens of Sikeston prefer to have Highway 61 pass directly thru Sikeston, instead of skirting the city to the east, then take up the edge of the ridge at the back door of the farms to Benton. It is a straight away shoot north from New Madrid to Morley a distance of approximately 36 miles with but one farm to cut through and that just this side of Klug's Hill. From the west edge of Morley the road could be made a straight line to Benton and we believe the distance would be no greater than the last survey. Then Scott County could have all the refund thru the county, north and south, to build a spur from Morley to Oran to Chaffee to connect with 25 for Jackson and points north. Sikeston has been the main stopping place for tourists and if the road goes around our city, the hotels, restaurants, garages and oil stations will suffer severely, to say nothing of the merchants and picture show. We are but expressing our own opinion after hearing much discussion on the subject.

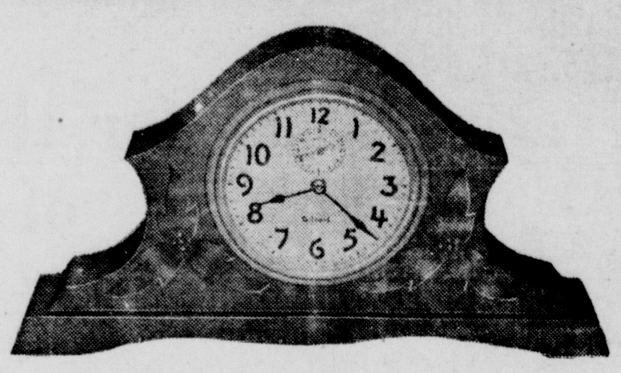
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While improvement in minor details characterizes the winter program of C. D. Monteith, Chief of Parks and Game Refuges at all State Parks, there are two items in which sportsmen will particularly be interested. These plans are not tentative, but are already in process of fulfillment.

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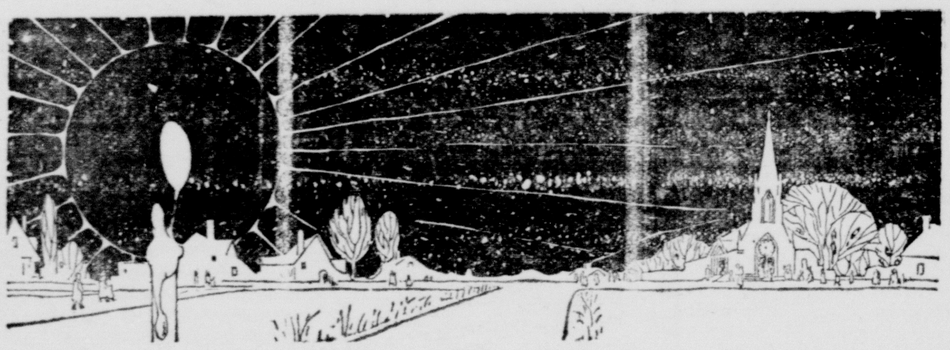
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Snap-on Chains
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Lamp Bulbs
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Hot Shot Batteries
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Top Patches
Radiator Cement
Blow-out Patches
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Auto Jacks
Oiling Systems for Fords
Radiators
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Hydrometers
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Flash Light Batteries
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DAY AND NIGHT

A 5-acre turkey pen has been constructed at Franklin County State Park and Game Refuge, and during the month of November, the inmates of the deer pen were augmented by the addition of one buck. Of special interest at Sam A. Baker State Park and Game Refuge is Mr. Monteith's report that work on the 40-acre deer pen has been started and that during December this will be completed and a 5-acre turkey pen constructed. These details mean that game propagation at there two refuges will be in full operation by spring, and coupled with the program settled upon for stocking auxiliary game refuges as fast as these tracts are leased, the department of State under Keith McCanse, State Game and Fish Commissioner, has an unusually comprehensive year's work ahead of it.

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The big boys in the Republican party are being overly polite, it seems. No one appears to want to stand in the way of the ambitions of another. The younger ones are showing a chivalrous spirit in offering the elder ones first chance.

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John J. Kennon, for eight years county clerk of Ripley County, has been appointed postmaster at Doniphan by President Coolidge. Kennon's selection will go to the Senate for confirmation. He will succeed E. C. White, who has been postmaster for three years and who is editor of the Doniphan Republican.

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Can anyone hunt and kill game in the national forests? This question is frequently asked Department of Agriculture officials. Hunting and fishing in all national forests, says the Forest Service, are governed by the game laws of the State in which the national forest is located. Most forest officers are deputy State game wardens and it is their duty to enforce the State game laws at all times. In some of the national forests, however, national game refuges have been set aside for the preservation of wild life. In these refuges hunting and fishing are not allowed, except under special circumstances and with the approval of the authorities in charge.

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Many Americans fancy the bison is almost extinct. Due to the activities of he American Bison Society of New York, beginning in 1906, these animals were saved from extinction thru the establishment and devleopment of several Government preserves, says the United States Department of Agriculture. These are in the Wichita National Forest in Oklahoma, the National Bison Range in Montana, the Yellowstone National Park, and a number of smaller herds in other parts of the country. Including Canadian herds, there are today on this continent about 20,000 purebred buffalo, of which abou 8000 are in the United States. The buffalo will not pass out of the picture.

This Week's Weather Outlook

Chicago, December 17.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys and the Northern and Central Great Plains: Mostly fair at beginning of week, probably followed by precipitation by middle or close of week; rising temperature Monday and Tuesday, colder toward close.

NEWS 200 YEARS AGO

In connection with the 200th anniversary of the Maryland Gazette which was celebrated at Annapolis a few weeks ago, some early copies of that newspaper were exhibited.

The news and advertisements of that day were naturally quite different from what is found in current newspapers, as they reflected the customs and beliefs of their time.

One of the stories from Vienna told of the burning of several persons convicted of witchcraft, among them "a midwife who had baptized 2000 children in the name of the devil". A local item related the experience of a negro slave who struck a white man in an argument over a dog fight. The negro was sentenced to have one of his ears cut off "pursuant to the law in such cases".

Among the advertisements was one announcing the arrival of a cargo of "about 200 choice slaves, which will be exposed for sale on Thursday the 22d of this instant".

In its issue of October 21, 1762, the Maryland Gazette published the news of the birth of a son to the British king and queen, which had occurred on August 12. The story bore the headlines: "Great Joy to the Nation! A Prince of Wales is Born. God Save the King". This was the dissolute and notorious character who afterwards became George IV.

The Maryland Gazette was frequently suspended for varying periods, but is still published and is credited by the Librarian of Congress with being "the dean of present-day American newspapers".

The Protection or Enforcement Division of the Game and Fish Department, in charge of Frank De Cou, Chief of Wardens, points to an unusually gratifying record in the matter of warden activity for the month of November, during which month the game wardens made 476 arrests for violation of the game and fish laws. Keith McCanse, Commissioner, in making this report public places special emphasis upon the fact that 439 convictions were obtained. Of the remaining cases 28 are still pending. Leaving but nine acquittals, this in his judgment, demonstrates that care and good judgment are being exercised in making arrests. The total fines and costs collected in these cases reached the tidy sum of $6,420.75, proving that violation of the game and fish laws in Missouri is a rather expensive pastime.

AL SMITH SUPPORT GAINING IN ILLINOIS

Carbondale, Ill., December 16.—Sentiment in this section is rapidly crystallizing for Gove. Alfred E. Smith as the Democratic nominee for President, according to Democratic politicians.

Smith has been gaining strength recently, they declared, following his open declaration as to his position on prohibition.

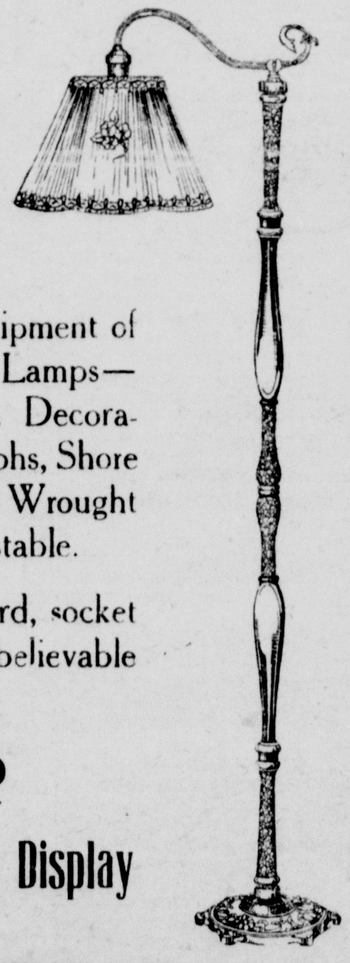
Mayor Joplin of Murphysboro, chairman of the County Central Committee, expressed the belief that Smith would get the entire Illinois delegation at the convention, under the leadership of George Brennan, Chicago Democratic chieftain. Reed Green of Cairo, prominent Democrat, is understood to be in favor of Smith.

Other Democrats in this county who view Smith as the "man with the best chance to win the party", include Bert E. Hill, former Mayor of Carbondale, and C. E. White, former Sheriff.

"Buy hunting and fishing license early", is the suggestion made by the State Game and Fish Commissioner. The 1928 licenses are now being shipped every County Clerk in the State and there is always a big rush around January 1st which causes delays that can be avoided by buying your license immediately after the 15th. Some sportsmen have a standing order with their County Clerk for license No. 1 every year. A State wide hunting and fishing license good anywhere in the State, only costs $2.50 and this form is fasts upplanting the County License.

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HAWES TO OPPOSE FLOOD RELIEF PLAN

Washington, December 15.—Unless the Mississippi River flood control program, as recommended to Congress by Dwight F. Davis, Secretary of War, and Major-General Edgar Jadwin, chief of army engineers, is radically amended, Senator Harry B. Hawes of Missouri will oppose it and vote against it.

Hawes announced his opposition to the administration plan in a formal statement today, in which he pointed out that two Souheast Missouri counties—Mississippi and New Madrid—would be partly destroyed if no changes were made in the engineers' recommendations.

"Devastation for Southeast Missouri—and nothing for the rest of the State—is all that is proposed for Missouri in the report of the army engineers", Hawes asserted.

The text of his statement follows:

Study of the Davis-Jadwin flood control report reveals an attempt on the part of the army engineers to secure more power and to lessen civilization's praticipation in the flood control program, and to handle a serious national situation without presenting the river problem in its entirety.

"Immediately following the flood disaster, we were told to wait, to remain silent. But fortunately, Missouri, through its newspapers, its civic organizations and its Representatives did not remain silent. In the light of the Davis-Jadwin report, our course in submitting the Missouri plan as a basis for discussion has been justified.

"I do not know a Senator in the valley states affected by the flood, who is not now openly opposing the Davis-Jadwin report, and I am informed the same situation prevails in the House.

"No representative from Missouri, who has studied the report, who understands it and who has proper consideration for Missouri, can possibly vote for it.

"The report, in my opinion, will be rejected by the Senate and there are prospects of its defeat in the House.

"Personally, I shall oppose it and, unless it is radically amended, will vote against it.

"The entire Mississippi Valley had been deprived; it had hoped for an entirely different recommendation.

"But of all the states in the valley, Missouri receives the poorest and most inconsiderate treatment.

"For years, through various civic organizations, financed by patriotic citizens, we have worked for the river and a comprehensive plan looking to the improvement of navigation and flood control.

"Now in the wake of a great disaster,we secure nothing for the Missouri River or the upper Mississippi stretch, and the partial destruction of at least two Southeast Missouri counties, Mississippi and New Madrid counties, is recommended.

"The report proposes to create a floodway in Mississippi and New Madrid counties by constructing levees five miles back from the present levees on Missouri side, from a point nearly opposite Cairo to a point near New Madrid.

"The present levees are to be lowered five feet. The effect of this, according to the report, will be to lower the flood plane at Cairo only one and one-half feet, based upon the 1927 flood. At the same time, the report requires 160,000 acres of Missouri land for a floodway, 60 per cent of which land is in cultivation and over 90,000 acres of which is held by land owners holding less than 500 acres each.

"All of this land is now in levee districts and drainage districts, with an approximate bonded indebtedness of $2,000,000 for levees and drainage. The total indebtedness against the land, including loans secured by mortgages, is approximately $5,000,000.

"But the proposal would recquire these local districts to pay 20 per cent of the cost of construction of new levees in addition to furnishing the right-of-way and paying such damages as result from the work. They must also pay all the expense of cutting down the old levees five feet.

"The Davis-Jadwin plan destroys the drainage outlets of 11 drainage districts, draining all the territory east of New Madrid and Sikeston, and will require new diversions and new construction. It wrecks the drainage system of this territory. The cost of the work required to correct this has been esimated by engineers to be $1,500,000.

"If this plan is adopted, no building or other structure can be erected within the floodway area without the consent and recommendation of the chief of engineers and the approval of the Secretary of War.

"Summarizing, the Davis-Jadwin plan would add 160,000 acres to the flooded area in Missouri, and the estimated costs to local districts affected will be $910,000 for levee rights-of-way; $3,200,000 contribution for levee construction; $1,500,000 for drainage diversion; a total of $5,610,000.

"This does not include cost of cutting down 55 miles of present levee. With this included, the cost will far exceed the assessed valuation of the territory proposed to be thrown into a floodway, while the damage to the land will depreciate its present value at least 40 per cent.

"Such a plan means not only damage to the individual owners of the land.

"The Davis-Jadwin plan proposes a greater hardship than has resulted from any flood.

"The land which it is proposed to put into a floodway is not unreclaimed land, but is rich, alluvial soil, some of the best in Missouri. It produces not only the wheat, corn and hay of the North, but the cotton and alfalfa of the South.

"Of all the points on the river from its source to its mouth, less consideration was given to, less protection offered for and greater cost is placed upon these two counties than in the case of any other similar section involved.

"The citizens of that section have cause for indignation. I hope they will form an organized protest. Back of this section of our State, I feel certain we will find the sympathetic support of he entire State and its large cities.

"I hope the voice of protest will be heard and that the State will not permit the Davis-Jadwin report to be adoped; if it can prevent it.

"I am sure the other counties in the State will come to the support of Southeast Missouri and prevent the rape of this rich alluvial territory.

"Devastation for Southeast Missouri—and nothing for the rest of the State—is all that is proposed for Missouri in the report of the army engineers".

Waves of prosperity, to the spendthrift, are generally breakers.—Detroit News.

Will 1928 nomination go to a dark and not a draft horse?—Wall Street Journal.

What the world needs most is a Limitation of Ambition Conference.—Bellingham Herald and Reveille.

The old-fashioned girls who used to go in for frills are now coming out strongly for thrills.—Arkansas Gazette.

"Doughboys" is an excellent name, except that they weren't boys and weren't the ones that got he dough.—Austin American.

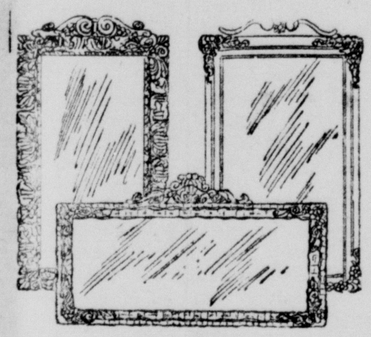
The trouble with the coal industry is that it has too many hands for its pockets.—Wall Street Journal.

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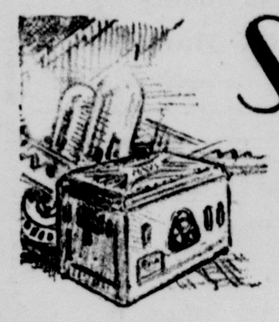
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SAYS FEEDING ALONE WON'T INCREASE EGG PRODUCTION

Urbana, Ill., December 16.—It is about as unreasonable to expect some hens to lay 150 to 200 eggs a year under the pressure of good feeding as it is to expect a mule to win a derby under the stimulus of more oats, says H. H. Alp, poultry extension specialist of the Illinois College of Agriculture. Good feeding is essential, but it must be combined with good breeding, he pointed out.

The summary on the 264 flocks were enrolled in the 1926 State poultry record project contains examples of flocks that were handicapped by lack of good breeding, in contrast to a flock that shows the effects of definite breeding work, he says.

The two flocks that were handicapped contained 83 and 97 hens each. The average egg production for each hen was 82 eggs a hen in the first flock, and 77 eggs a hen in the second flock. In the first flock 64.2 per cent of the hens were culled and in the second 69.7 per cent. Mortality in the first flock totaled 3.3 per cent and in the second 6.3 per cent. The feed cost was $1.62 a hen and $2 a hen, respectively, for the two flocks, while the respective returns were a profit of only 73 cents a hen and a loss of 30 cents a hen.

"In contrast to this, the flock that showed the effects of some definite breeding work contained 169 hens that averaged better than 140 eggs each during the year. More than 60 per cent of the hens were culled, while the mortality amounted to 5 per cent. The feed cost was $2.07 a hen and the profit $2.48 a hen".

Velvet Handbag Vogue



What's the latest in handbags? Velvet if you please. So if you are contemplating making somebody happy at Christmastide with the gift of a purse or handbag, let it be of velvet by all means. The types in this picture are the "last word" from Paris. Women are also making handsome velvet bags, sewing them into metal frames sold for this purpose.

"Smith Declines 276 Invitations". Waiting for the real big one?—New York Evening Post.

Controlling argument for Federal inheritance tax is that dead men can't vote.—Wall Street Journal.

Volcanoes, earthquakes, tidal waves, and tornadoes have a small effect in comparison to soil erosion. There are 125 billion pounds of plant food washed off farm lands and pastures in the United States every year. That means at least 200 million dollars washed out of the pockets of the farmers.

Meat makes the best food for cats. Cats are natural meat eaters. Beef, mutton and rabbit meat are good. Kittens like chicken and duck heads A little milk is all right, but a small quantity of cream is much better than a lot of milk. Too much milk is bad for cats—it causes diarrhea. Large quantities of vegetables aren't good for them, either, although a little spinach is healthful if the cats will eat it.

MISSOURI AND ARKANSAS IN NEW PROHIBITION ZONE

Washington, December 16.—A new alignment of prohibition districts announced today by Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Lowman included the creation of a new district of Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma, with headquarters at Topeka.

Indiana and Ohio were combined in one district, with headquarters at Columbus, while South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin were grouped as another, with headquarters at St. Paul.

Under the plan, Arkansas and Missouri comprise a district, with headquarters at St. Louis Iowa and Illinois were combined, with headquarters at Chicago, and the northern judicial district of Florida was transferred to the district including Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama with headquarters at New Orleans.

The only changes in administrators was that for the district including Iowa and Illinois, Glenn E. Brunson, who had been an administrator, was made a deputy for Iowa, with special authority to conduct the affairs of the State virtually as an independent unit.

The changes will become effective February 1.

AMERICA SPENDS A BILLION FOR XMAS

More than a billion dollars will be spent by Americans on Christmas cheer and Christmas charities, John T. Flynn estimates in an article in Collier's Weekly, covering a survey of Christmas expenditures for the nation. The round sum he arrives at, after careful research and inquiry is $1,422,800,000, divided among these items:

Christmas trees, $100,000,000; jewelry, $165,000,000; turkeys and other poultry, $120,000,000; hosiery, $130,000,00; toys, $300,000,000; neckties $100,000,000; employes' gifts and bonuses, $250,000,000; Santa Claus whiskers, $300,000; plum puddings $7,500,000; Christmas charities, $250,000,000.

"Take, for instance, the simple item of whiskers for Santa Claus. Of course, Santa's whiskers don't grow on his ruddy cheeks. They have got to be made, and the single job of making enough of them keeps several factories employed the year round. I have not been able to get exact statistics on the whisker crop, but it runs to some $300,000 every year".

It is likewise disclosed that now 90 per cent of the toys bought in America are made in America.

The crude par of Teapot Dome is not all under ground.—Detroit News

The use of poisoned bands around the limbs and trunks of apple trees in orchards for the destruction of codling moth larvae has proved successful, according to the annual report of the Bureau of Entomology. It has been found possible to treat these bands with certain chemicals which kill the larvae after they have spun up. Among the most effective of these are certain naphthalene derivatives, as alpha and beta naphthylamine. It is believed that by the proper use of these automatic band traps the codling-moth population in orchards can be very greatly reduced, thus modifying the necessity for spraying, which often involves objectionable residues on the fruit at harvesting.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION REJECTED

Charleston and Sikeston will not be included in the membership of the proposed Southeast Missouri High School Athletic Association, which it is planned to organize in January. This statement was made to the Enterprise-Courier yesterday by Coach John H. Marshall, who said that next year's football schedule had already been tentively arranged and hence it would be impossible for Charleston to be a member of the association, which proposes to arrange all interschool contests. A recent conference on the proposed association was held between A. D. Simpson, city school superintendent here, and Supt. Roy V. Ellise, of Sikeston, at which it was decided that both schools would remain out of the proposed organization at least for next year.

The proposed association, which has been approved by the board of education of Poplar Bluff, is to include only the larger schools of this section, and football schedules are to be so arranged that questions of championship and necessity of post-season games will be eliminated. The association also proposes that all interschool contests be played on Saturday, so that school work will not be suspended on Friday afternoons during the football season.—Charleston Enterprise-Courier.

HOUSE APPROVES TAX REDUCTION OF $289,770,000

Washington, December 15.—Calling for an estimated tax cut of $289,770,000, the revenue bill was passed early tonight by the House and sent to the Senate.

The vote was 366 to 24.

As approved the bill carried three important amendments, attached to the measure by a Democratic-Republican coalition.

One provides for complete repeal of the sales tax on automobiles, instead of a reduction of the present rate of 3 per cent to 1½ per cent, as recommended by the Ways and Means Committee.

The other, accord additional relief to corporations with small incomes, and require corporations and subsidiaries to file separate instead of affiliated tax returns.

After the Democrats with the aid of a bloc of Republican votes on roll calls had kept the amendments in the bill, a move was made by Republican organization leaders to send the bill back to committee but a motion to this end was defeated 301 to 93.

Many of the Treasury recommendations were scrapped in the bill, and the amount of tax reduction it proposes is estimated to be about $65,000,00 in excess of the total deemed advisable by Secretary Mellon.

In telling her age a woman is often shy—in more ways than one.—Wall Street Journal.

A coat should be frequently brushed. If wet it should be dried slowly away from the fire.

Vestees and neckwear of white georgette, crepe de chine or wash satins can be satisfactorily laundered, but in the elaborate types dry cleaning may give better results because this method does not require special ironing. Lace neckwear can be nicely cleaned by rubbing powdered starch into it, and after several hours brushing it and shaking it out.



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We have been trying to find out just why Frank Brannock of the Bloomfield Vindicator is so pisen because Highway 61 was located down the ridge. Bloomfield is away off of either location and we haven't heard of Frank having many sections of land in the lower section of the West Route, so it must be a connection by marriage, or a connection by financial arrangements that has caused him to fuss up so. Be calm, Frank, you have done all Al Harty could ask you to do, that is lambast the Commission.

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The politician who used to blow hot and cold now blows wet and dry. —Arkansas Gazette.

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Our Mr. Ralph Bailey made some pleasing remarks before a gathering of good fellows at Cairo a few nights ago and incidentally said he hoped the Illinois officials would build a hard road to the Illinois end of the Cape Girardeau bridge. That was all right for him to talk that way, but the live business interests of Cairo will use heir political rabbit foot to keep the Illinois trade from being shunted to a Missouri city. Cairo should insist that Illinois hurry and finish the concrete road north to Anna. These few pleasant words about the Cape won't hurt a thing coming from a prospectivee andidate for Congress.

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"Let Us Clean Your Britches" is a sign in a local window. We have an idea Old Santa will clean them just as thorough as if they went through half a dozen cleaning shops.

EXCITING YEAR PROMISED

The year 1928 promises to be even more exciting than 1927 with its floods and transoceanic flights. Politics, the great American game, will make it so.

With congress in session and the presidential campaign on the program,th ere will be no dearth of conversational subject matter in 1928.

The chief topic for discussion now is the chances of the numerous prospective candidates for the presidency. Never before has the Republican party had a more formidable array of prospective candidates, and it is doubtful if the Democratic party ever had fewer outstanding men. But this shortage of material may help the Democrats. Only one man is needed, and if there are fewer men to be considered for the nomination a shorter and more business-like convention may be expected. Avoiding a protracted convention like the one held in 1924 will undoubtedly stand the party in good stead.

Indications are that prohibition will be a prominent issue for the first time in more than a decade. It seems that an old time presidential campaign with all the fixings may be expected.

But as for issues, there is no telling what congress will bring out. Tax reduction, flood control and the Boulder Dam bill may play big parts in the campaign.

Anyway, the politicians are likely to have a full bag of tricks to entertain the voters with.

The Sikeston Ridge and Highway 61 south to the Arkansas border, owe nothing to Cape Girardeau, and should use the ballot to get another bond issue to finish the highway program and for the refund. Then use all the influence they have to have the refund of Scott County used for a cut off from Morley to Oran, to Chaffee to Jackson to join 61 to St. Louis. This cut-off would save from 15 to 20 miles for through traffic to St. Louis, which would mean right much of a saving in time and expense. This looks good to us.

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NINETEEN YEARS AGO

(From the files of Sikeston Hornet)

Miss Carrie Mitchell left the first of the week for a two weeks' visit in St. Louis, with friends.

Ranney Applegate is assisting R. F. Anderson in the Citizens Bank during the absence of Cashier Lynn Stallcup.

C. D. Matthews, Jr., wife and little daughter and W. H. Sikes attended the Matthews-Bergman wedding at Cape Girardeau, Wednesday.

Matthews-Bergman

E. C. Matthews and Miss Nell Bergman were married at the residence of the bride's parents, in Cape Girardeau Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. The Rev. A. Wilder officiating. The affair was quite informal, only relatives of the contracting parties being present. After the ceremony, they left on a wedding tour to Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Seattle and Yellowstone Park. They will return to the city about September 1. The groom is the second son of Charles D. Matthews, Sr., and is a young man of rare business ability and his future success in life is assured. His bride is a most pleasant young lady of Cape Girardeau, the daughter of a wealthy and prominent merchant there and is well and favorably known in Sikeston, having taught school here.

Stallcup-Lawrence

In the parlors of the Commercial Hotel, Wednesday morning at 8:30, the Rev. E. M. Richmond of St. Louis pronounced the words that joined in wedlock L. M. Stallcup and Miss Frances Lawrence. Only relatives of the contracting parties were present. Immediately after the ceremony, the young and happy couple departed on the 8:45 Iron Mountain train for an extended visit to the North and West. The groom is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Stallcup and is cashier of the Citizens Bank. He is a model young business man with lots of push and vim and is sure to succeed in life. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lawrence and in addition to being a charming young lady, possesses a sweet disposition and all justifications that go to make a model wife.

Manager P. Kendall says the opera house season will be opened the last night of the horse show by "Thorn In Her Heart Co".

C. A. Cook has taken charge of the Commercial Hotel. Mr. Cook is an experienced man in the hotel business and it goes without saying that patrons of his place will get all there is going. He is an old resident of Sikeston and has many friends who welcome his return.

Chas. Yanson is spending the week in Chicago.

W. H. Barnes and wife left the first of the week for their annual vacation to Chicago and other Eastern cities.

Contractor J. A. Beggs came down from the Cape the first of the week and began work on E. C. Matthews' new residence. The new strucutre is to be a handsome home of brick and will cost complete about $15,000.

Giles Dover, eldest son of Station Agent J. E. Dover, and Miss Lena Thorgmorton, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Thorgmorton, were married at the Methodist church at 4:30 Monday afternoon. The bride's father officiated. They departed on the evening passenger for a short tour, after which they will go to Riverside, where Giles has a position with the Iron Mountain. The Hornet joins their many friends in extending congratulations.

C. A. Cook, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, has leased the Slack house and Mrs. Slack will move to St. Louis, where she will reside in the future. Mr. Cook will use the Slack house for sleeping accommodations. This leaves Sikeston with but one first class hotel. However, it places Mr. Cook in a position to give his patrons better service for the same money.

Mrs. Mollie Milem and little children are the guests of friends and relatives this week.

Among the ailments that are conveyed from dogs to man we note the inclusion of insomnia. Some people get it from the dog next door.—Punch.

Banana "figs" are a form of food not generally familiar to American housewives, but are recommended as a desirable and nourishing food. These "figs" are really dried bananas. Firm ripe fruit is peeled and split lengthwise and dried either in the sun or by artificial heat. The drying process brings out some of the banana juice which covers the banana with a white sugar powder. In food value banana "figs" are said to compare favorably with other dried fruits. The agricultural experiment station in Hawaii has been experimenting with the drying of bananas because banana shipping facilities from Hawaii are not so fully developed as from the "banana coast" of Central America.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Washington, D. C., December 11.—There has been a great deal of criticism of many of the recommendations of President Coolidge in his annual message to Congress. Particularly are farm leaders dissatisfied with his annual message to Congress. Particularly are farm leaders dissatisfied with his failure to offer a constructive suggestion for the relief of agriculture. His position with reference to flood control in the Mississippi basin is also under fire, because of his insistence that the people in the flooded area, help to pay the cost of flood control, although the water which causes the damage flows into the Mississippi from nearly half continental United States and although thousands of the flood sufferers are bankrupt, many of them even unable to pay taxes, much less contribute to the enormous cost of flood control.

In that part of his message dealing with taxation, the President insisted upon the adoption of the tax plan proposed by Mr. Mellon, although that plan has already been repudiated by Republicans as well as Democratic Members of the House Ways and Means Committee and is also strongly opposed by the United States Chamber of Commerce, speaking for a large part of the business interests of the country, which is urging the Democratic program of a reduction of approximately $400,000,000.

It is in what the President had to say about agriculture and the tariff that he greatly disappointed the farming interests. He showed himself still opposed to any of the suggestions for farm relief which the farm organizations have put forward, and again put himself on record as against any revision of the tariff whatever, although such revision has been urged by the farm organizations and is recommended by the "business men's commission" sponsored by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Industrial Conference, which urged tariff revision as one of the most effective methods of improving the condition of agriculture. The Chairman of the committee making this recommendation was Charles Nagel, Republican, Secretary of Commerce and Labor, in the Cabinet of President Taft. Not only Democrats, but many Republicans voiced criticism of these parts of the President's message, and he was accused of telling half-truths. For instance, discussing the tariff and agriculture, he said that "everything the farmer uses in farming is already on the free list". While it is true that many agricultural implements are on the free list, everything that enters into their manufacture pays a heavy duty, which is reflected in the finished product and this has added millions of dollars annually to the cost of these implements to the farmers. The President also said that "nearly everything he (the farmer) sells is protected. "It is true that while there are tariff duties on many farm products, they are on commodities which America exports and which are sold in world markets at world prices and therefore are not affected a particle by a duty on such imports into America.

One of the Republicans to criticize the message was Senator of Oregon, co-author of the McNary-Haugen farm bill, who said the President held out no sympathy for agriculture whatever. Senator McNary made it clear the fight for farm legislation would be pressed with a "good chance" to pass the bill over the President's veto.

Mississippi Valley Members of the Senate and House were especially critical of that portion of the President's message relating to flood control. Senator Caraway of Arkansas, went so far as to say that Mr. Coolidge appeared to be a "sectional President" who is willing to aid the flood sufferers of New England, but not disposed to help those in the Mississippi Valley.

Washington, December 11.—The budget estimate of expenditures by the government for the next fiscal year, sent to Congress by President Coolidge at the opening of its session, is a most complete answer to the claims of economy for the Coolidge administration made by the President and other Republican leaders. The budget the President recommended for the next fiscal year, for which this Congress will appropriate, calls for appropriations of $4,238,793,765.53. This is an increase of $305,311,765.06 over the appropriations for the current fiscal year. Without one exception, the ordinary expenses of the Government, in every department, exclusive of interest on the war debt, have increased every year since Mr. Coolidge became President. For example, expenditures during the fiscal year 1927, ending last June 30, were $4,176,706,508.06, while the official estimates of government expenses for the current year, for which appropriations have already been made and which ends next June 30, are $4,331,814,285, an increase of approximately $155,000,000, while the President's new budget asks increased appropriations for the year beginning July 1, next, of more than $300,000,000. These figures completely refute every claim of economy for the Coolidge administration.

Canaries don't reqiure a fancy menu. Canary seed, to which a little summer rape seed and hemp have been added, is a staple diet for the birds. Most housewives buy this feed in small quantities, ready-mixed for their pets. Canary seed alone isn't enough for the birds, but if you will add that small quantity of summer rape and hemp seed, you'll have a diet that fits to a T. In addition to the seed, supply a bit of lettuce or a small piece of apple frequently.

Problem is to make money first and then to make it last.—Wall Street Journal.

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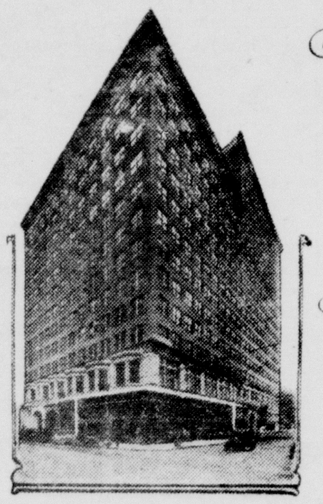
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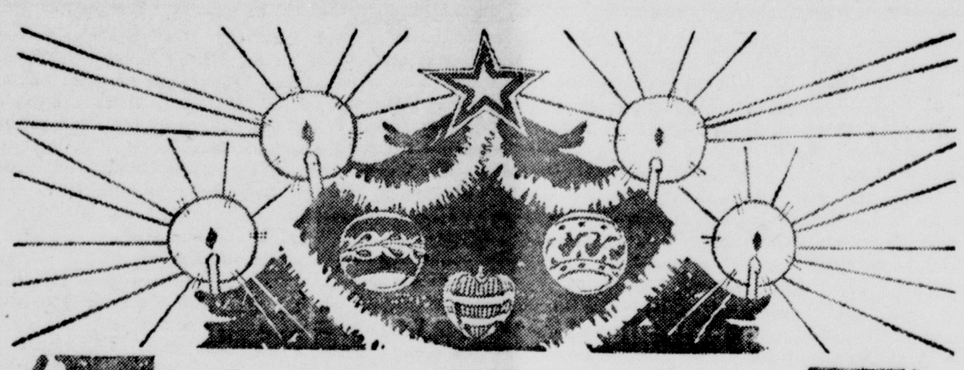
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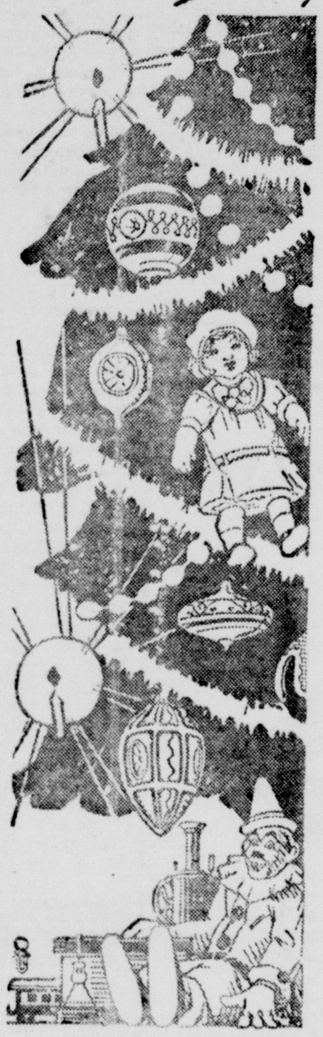
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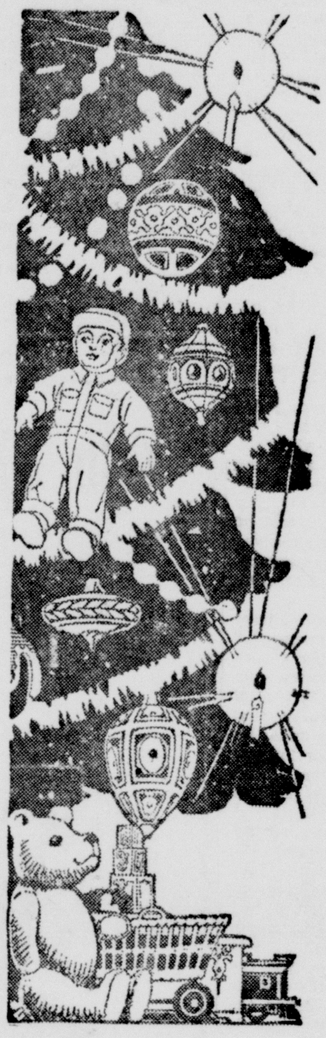


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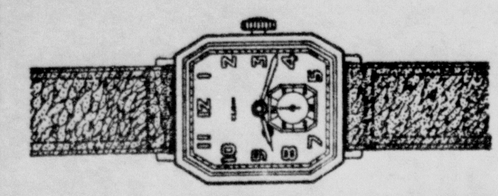
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GOOD FOODS

There are several varieties of good noodles packed in cartons on the market, but for real goodness, as well as economy, the homemade variety is much superior. It takes but one egg, a tablespoonful of milk and one-half teaspoonful of salt, with flour to mix, and roll to make enough noodles for a family of four; twice the amount will make enough for a good meal with soup, for a large family.



Roll out so thin that the dough is transparent, let dry for an hour or two in air, then roll up and cut into strips with a knife. Shake out the noodles and drop into boiling salted water or soup and cook for several minutes. They will float on top when about done. To serve them in place of potatoes with chicken, drain them and put in a hot dish in which has browned a cupful of crumbs with a tablespoonful of butter. Stir until the noodles are well covered with the buttered crumbs, then serve. Noodles are good baked with cheese, egg or with a white sauce and a bit of green corn from the cob. One will find many ways of serving this good dish.

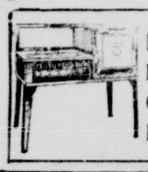
Chicken Warmein.—Cook a good fat fowl until tender in a large kettle with plenty of water for broth. Remove the fowl—it should be well seasoned. Remove the meat from the bones in small shreds and set away to keep hot. In the broth cook a bunch or more of celery—two bunches will not be too much if serving a large family. The celery is cut into small pieces before cooking. When tender remove the celery and drop in the noodles which have been previously prepared; cook until well done. Serve a nest of the noodles on a large plate; on these a few spoonfuls of celery and top with chicken and gravy.

A nice icing for a sponge cake is:

Orange Frosting.—To one cupful of confectioner's sugar add the grated rind of an orange with its juice; yellow coloring may be added if desired. Beat until smooth, adding a little cream if needed, for richness.

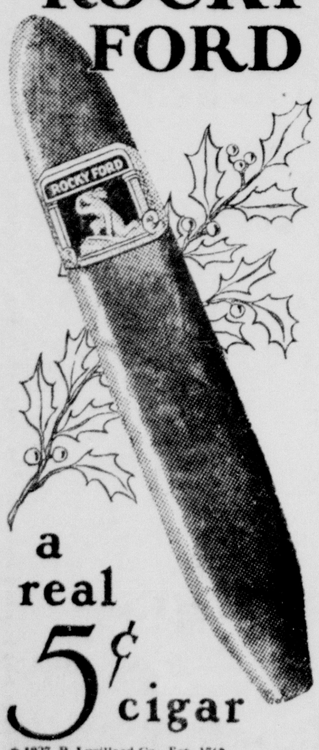
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THROUGH A WOMAN'S EYES

By JEAN NEWTON

How to Avoid Saying What We Do Not Want to Say

"I've done it again—said the thing I didn't want to say!"

A woman who has confided to us before now asks for assistance in correcting this failing—saying the thing she does not want to say. "It is not that I have no self-restraint," she says, "or cannot brake my tongue. As a rule I have no difficulty in controlling my speech. I doubt that anyone would say it is characteristic of me to let my tongue run away with me. But there is this one member of my family to whom I invariably say things I am sure to be sorry for—things I don't want to say, which are out before I am aware of having again shown this weakness. You may guess, of course, that she rubs the wrong way with me; that she goads me to the point where I forget my resolutions and let fly the very thing I did not want to say. But that is no excuse for me. It is what we do at a time like that that is the real test of ourselves, is it not?

It is not. It would be harsh judgment of the best of us to measure our real selves by what we do when we are driven to extremes of anger or hurt or indignation. However, what we do at such times, specifically how we speak at such times, is a test of how well we have schooled ourselves in consciously controlling our speech, in directing the outer manifestation of our impulses.

Our friend says: "As a rule I have no difficulty in controlling my speech." She means that as a rule her speech does not require extraordinary control to do her credit. That is true of many of us, who find, however, that in unexpected circumstances under severe pressure of sudden emotion, we do not always acquit ourselves to our satisfaction. We talk in a manner that detracts from our dignity, or, at least, from our self-esteem; we say things for which we are certain to be sorry. The reason is that we have not cultivated the habit of thinking before we speak. It is not the real we who says the wrong thing, because, on thinking, we do not want to say it. It is the impulsive we, the part of us that is without the distinction which is supposed to define the human being—namely, that "man is a thinking animal."

With many precepts that have gone in one ear and out the other, we were told long ago, "When angry, count ten!" An excellent deterrent to saying the wrong thing, except for the fact that when we are angry is the last time in the world that we would think of stopping to count ten—unless we habitually counted ten before speaking. There is the crux of how to achieve self-control at the most trying times. To control our tongues when we need that control most we must be in the habit of thinking before we speak. The answer is to form the habit, to school ourselves so that whenever we speak it will be the mind that acts first, the tongue later.

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THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

December 22nd commemorates the birth of Harris Merton Lyon, poet, short-story writer and magazine editor, who is often referred to as the "O. Henry of Missouri". As a writer of short stories, so closely did his style resemble that of O. Henry that after the latter's death, Lyon was commissioned by a group of the author's friends to complete some of his unfinished work for publication.

Although born in Santa Fe, New Mexico, Lyon was a Missourian by Adoption. He was educated in the schools of Kansas City and in 1901 entered the University of Missouri, where he soon became identified with a group of students whose chief interests was in literature and writing. He was graduated in 1905 with literary honors, receiving the McAnnally English medal.

It was during his undergraduate days that Lyon first won recognition as a writer of verse and stories and during his student days he was a contributor to such magazines as Scribners, McClure's and Century. In addition to his other activities, Lyon found time as a student to fill the office of managing editor of the M. S. U. Independent, a student literary publication, and to do reportial work on the Columbia Daily Tribune. He was also a contributor of verse and literary matter to the Savitar, the University annual, and was one of the moving spirits in founding Asterisks, a student publication devoted entirely to literature. Among the sudents associated with Lyon in the founding of this magazine who have achieved recognition through their writing are Homer Croy, Charles Ross and Carl Crow.

After leaving school, Lyon went to Texas, where he was a reporter on the Houston Post for a time. The writing urge, however, caused him to set New York as his goal and he left the Post and worked his way to New York as cargo clerk on a coast steamer. Here his way was hard. For months he was without work and was forced to earn his living by writing tobacco advertisements.

Finally, after weeks and months of hardship and discouragement, he found a place as police reporter on the New York World. Later he became dramatic critic on the Broadway Mazaine and still later, was given the post of editor. But the creative urge still drove him relentlessly and he resigned to give all his time to literary production.

Two volumes of Lyon's short stories, Sardonics and Graphics, have been published, the first in 1909 and the second in 1913. A short story by Lyon called The Weaver Who Clad the Summer was included in the Boston Transcript's 1815 volume of the ten best short stories of the year.

Lyon died in New York on June 3, 1916. Since his death critics have come to regard him as a writer of real creative force, who would no doubt have produced great literature had he lived. Recognition of the worth of his writing came too late to help him in his struggle, however, and he died almost unknown at the early age of thirty-three.

O. O. McIntyre, who was an associate of Lyon's early journalistic career, paints a graphic picture of his New York days and the dreary struggle which ended abruptly with his early death. "They are paying tribute to Harris Merton Lyon these days", he says. "Like Stephen Crane and Frank Norris his genius burned briefly—and he died neglected. He was among the first men I met in New York and for a time we worked side by side on a magazine. He was living then in Connecticut, battering himself to pieces to reach the magazines.

"He died from overwork—leaving a realistic novel unfinished. His Sardonics' and book of short stories Graphics', are among the finest pieces of American short-story writing. The last time I saw him was in front of an advertising office where he worked. They had assigned him—one of the few literary geniuses America has produced—to writing ads for tobacco....He was not bitter. He was just disillusioned. Even now Lyon ranks with O. Henry and his earthly reward was a series of acrid disappointments".

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Licking—New Farmers' Exchange building here completed.

Black suede shoes will clean beautifully if you brush off the dust, then steam them over boiling water until they turn a deep purple.

The Death's Head moth, common in England till about 30 years ago, but now very rare, emits squeaks almost as loud as those of a mouse.

Poultry records are being kept on two flocks in Mississippi County, according to County Agent Paul H. Teal. Mrs. M. Donaldson has 100 single-comb Rhode Island reds on which she is keeping a record. Mrs. Norris Walker has two breeds, Rhode Island reds and white leghorns.

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THROUGH A WOMAN'S EYES

By JEAN NEWTON

A Father Should Be Either Good Enough or Bad Enough

In Liverpool a man provided in his will that his son should inherit no part of his wine cellar, as he said, "for very good reasons."

That is all we know about the son or the father. Far be it from us to jump to blame, particularly to blame a parent for the fault of a child when we know no more about either than that the child has the shortcoming. However, we cannot escape something incongruous in a father having a well-stocked wine cellar and having to stipulate that his son is not to inherit it. The comment that springs to mind is that a man with a wine cellar should have taught his son how to use it, or, failing to do this, that he should not have had the wine cellar. The situation reflects badly on the effort he expended on his son or the example he set for him.

Except for the "newsy" nature of this case it is not nearly so unusual as it should be. Parents are all too prone to consider their responsibility to their children fulfilled when they have fed and clothed them and perhaps compelled them to attend Sunday school. They expect their children to do right and to form good habits as a matter of course, and if such wisdom does not descend upon them out of a clear sky and they do something harmful or disgraceful, the same parents feel themselves greatly wronged and ill-repaid for the tremendous effort they have given to make them turn out right.

If the problem of rearing children could be creditably disposed of in such a simple way, life would not be the complex matter it is. However, the world is becoming conscious of the fact that we owe a great deal more to our children than merely to enable them to exist and not to abuse them. We have brought them into a world filled with danger and temptation, more or less according to the equipment which we and our forbears have bequeathed them. It is our duty to arm them constructively against these dangers, to supply them with weapons to protect themselves against those elements in their environment which might constitute a danger.

It is not the "Do as I say" that is potent, but the "Do as I do!" And the great responsibility entailed by parenthood is to set the right example for our children, regardless of the personal sacrifice which this entails.

If a man simply is not equal to setting a good example for his son, there is one other way by which he can save him. That is by setting such a horrible example that his son's main ambition in life will be to be different from his father. With the man in Liverpool, who found it necessary to stipulate in his will that his son was not to have his wine cellar, the trouble is apparently that he was neither good enough nor bad enough to be of any use to the young man.

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$250,000,000 BUILDING BILL IS APPROVED

Washington, December 14.—Favorable report to the House was ordered today by the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds on the House Reed bill of the last Congress, authorizing $250,000,000 to be expended on public buildings throughout the country. St. Louis' needs will be cared for in this bill, though the exact amount which will be apportioned the city is not known.

Representative L. C. Dyer, who has been particularly active in connection with St. Louis public building requirements, said today that he had been advised by the Treasury Department that it would not be necessary for the itnroduction of a bill for St. Louis, but that allotments would be made for he city commensurate with its needs.

The House committee reported first the Elliott bill, authorizing an appropriation of $25,000,000 for use in Washington for acquisition of sites for new government buildings. This bill failed of passage in the last Congress because of the Senate filibuster. The Reed bill, which is distinctive, proposes to increase the federal building fund from $150,000,000 to $250,000,000, leaving the District of Columbia's share at $50,000,000.

Doubtless there will be unprecedented mental confusion if one of these husband-calling contests is ever held in Hollywood.—Detroit News.

Galt—Work under way putting in new stringer and new flooring on Big Medicine Creek Bridge east of here on No. 6 highway in Sullivan County.



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Too much idleness fills up a person's time much more completely and leaves him less his own master, than any other sort of employment whatever.—Burke.

EVERYDAY GOOD THINGS

Here are two bread recipes to use for an interesting variety:



Bran Bread.—Take one pint of slightly warm water, blend with one cake of compressed yeast and mix with one quart of flour. Beat hard to a smooth batter. Cover and let rise in a warm place until light. Beat one-half cupful of lard into one cupful of sugar and two teaspoonfuls of salt. Add this to the risen mixture and gradually beat in four cupfuls of bran and one cupful of seeded raisins. Beat again. Grease two bread pans and pour into each one-half the mixture; let rise again for an hour in a warm place and bake in a slow oven one hour.

Nut Bread.—Cream three-fourths of a cupful of brown sugar with a tablespoonful of shortening; add one-half teaspoonful of salt, one egg, add a cupful of dates, one-half cupful of nut meats, one cupful of boiling water and one and one-half cupfuls of flour. Add a teaspoonful of soda to the boiling water, mix all well and bake one hour in a slow oven.

Cornflake Macaroons.—Take one cupful each of sugar, cornflakes, ground nuts or coconut, two tablespoonfuls of flour, a little salt, and a few drops of vanilla. Beat two egg whites until stiff, add the sugar gradually, then the cornflakes, nuts and flour. Drop by teaspoonfuls on a buttered baking sheet. Bake in a moderate oven until brown.

Spiced Bread Crumb Pudding.—Take one cupful each of bread crumbs, sour milk and brown sugar, one-fourth cupful of shortening, one-half cupful of flour, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves, two tablespoonfuls of molasses, one teaspoonful of soda and three-fourths cupful of chopped raisins. Soak the bread in the milk, cream the shortening and sugar, add other ingredients, then the bread and the milk. Pour into a buttered baking dish and bake in a slow oven for forty-five minutes. Serve cold. This recipe will serve eight.

Nellie Maxwell

If the black velvet hat requires cleansing rub it briskly with damp salt, then brush it all out with a stiff brush.

Question is raised as to the propriety in Chicago's erecting a monument to Mrs. O'Leary's cow. But anything to take attention away from Bill Thompson's bull.—Albany Knickerbocker Press.

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Bloating Spells, from Indigestion, Put an Oklahoma Man in a Miserable Fix, But He Found Relief.

Swink, Okla.—In describing how he suffered from indigestion, Mr S. T. Strain, of this place, says:

"I have been a user of Black-Draught for four or five years. I have been taking it for stomach trouble. I suffered after eating with bloating and a 'tight feeling'.

"I had spells when I could not eat much of anything. I had severe headaches. I would be nauseated and hurt a lot. I was in a pretty bad fix.

"I began taking Black-Draught. It seemed to help me wonderfully. I hadn't found anything that benefited me as Black-Draught did. I certainly can recommend it.

"There were times when I just did without anything to eat until I was too weak to go. I was just miserable, and when I ate, my system seemed clogged.

"I had very severe headaches. So I didn't know just what to do. I knew I couldn't work if I didn't eat. Seemed like what I spit up was bitter as could be. I took Black-Draught pretty regularly and got where I could eat, and I don't have to take it so regularly now." NC-177

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LIVE STOCK NEWS

WINTER CARE OF FLOCK OF SHEEP

A great deal of the success with the lambs in the spring depends on the feed and care given the ewes during the winter.

If ewes are to develop good lambs they must have good feed and plenty of exercise. This does not mean that they should be fat. The aim should be to keep them in good thrifty condition. If plenty of roughage is available, the ewes, as a rule, will not need grain feed until about six weeks before lambing. Alfalfa hay is one of the best feeds for breeding ewes, writes Turner Wright in the Dakota Farmer. The clover hays are also good and should be used when alfalfa is not available or they can be mixed with the alfalfa to very good advantage. The run of a stalk field in the fall and early winter, and the use of corn stover or sorghum and similar fodders will help to lower the cost of winter keep, but as these feeds supply only a small amount of growth materials, the ewes should not be forced to subsist on them alone, as weak lambs will likely be the result. Used in connection with alfalfa or one of the clover hays, however, they make a very good winter ration.

Watch the flock closely and if any of the ewes begin to get thin in flesh, start feeding those ewes a small amount of grain each day. All the ewes in the flock ought to be put on a light grain feed about six weeks before lambing. About a half a pound a day of a mixture of about two-thirds oats and one-third corn or barley for each ewe is very good for the ration. If one is fortunate enough to have a good wheat or rye pasture available, the ewes should have access to it at all times when weather conditions will permit. No other winter feed gives quite such good results.

A supply of good water at all times is an important consideration. If the water can be heated in very cold weather just enough to remove the chill, it will be better for the ewes.

Many sheepmen make the mistake of housing their flock too closely in tight barns during the winter. A mature sheep does not need much protection from cold as its fleece will keep it warm enough. A good shed, open to the south, will serve the purpose of winter shelter very well. If this shed, or the yard surrounding it, opens into a large pasture, the run on this pasture every day will add to the health and thrift of the flock.

Find Soy Beans Useful in Fattening All Stock

Soy beans, which have taken a prominent role the last few years, not only for feeding of cattle, but also for hogs, sheep and poultry, have shown their merits again in the annual winter steer feeding trials at Purdue university agricultural experiment station. This home-grown protein supplement will take the place of cottonseed meal in a ration of silage, shelled corn and clover hay in fattening two-year-old steers for market. The soy beans not only will take the place of the cottonseed, but also will do it more effectively and will mean a greater profit, judging from the tests.

The lot of steers receiving soy beans in their ration showed an average daily gain of 2.42 pounds against the lot receiving cottonseed which gained 2.18 pounds a day. Ten steers were in each lot. Because of the faster, cheaper and higher rate of gain and also the higher finish, these steers were valued in the lots at $10.35 a hundred against $9.85 for the cottonseed meal lot. The profit per steer including pork produced by hogs following steers for the soy bean lot was $28.05 and only $16.47 for the cottonseed meal lot. The average profit over the last five years has been $5.99 per steer in favor of the soy bean feed group for the same reasons as mentioned.

Sudan Grass Good for Idle Horses in Winter

The Sudan grass will make a quality of hay that can be fed very successfully as roughage to idle horses in winter. If fed with a good grain ration, horses at work do fairly well on it, but it is not the best quality of hay for work horses. A good quality of oat hay made by cutting the oats green or a good timothy and clover mixed would make a more suitable kind of hay for horses at work.

Sudan grass is not very satisfactory for pasture as it makes a very soft, rank growth during the growing season, and there would be danger of severe scouring and some danger of bloating in animals pastured on the sudan grass.

Prevent Hog Cholera

The surest method for preventing hog cholera is the vaccination of the pigs shortly after weaning. Experience has shown that the vaccination of the pig before that time may not produce immunity. With pigs the cost of vaccination is not large. Where this has not been done the only safe thing is to watch the herd very closely and at the first sign of trouble consult a veterinarian. If the disease is in the neighborhood vaccinate as soon as possible.

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GENERAL REVIEW OF CASES OF DISABLED

Following several conferences with Watson B. Miller, chairman of the American Legion's National Rehabilitation committee which maintains offices in Washington, D. C., and is in constant touch with the United States Veterans' Bureau, Gen. Frank T. Hines, director of the bureau, has announced his intention of initiating a general review of all cases of disabled veterans who have heretofore carried ratings of less than 10 per cent. The review will be for the purpose of granting increases in rating wherever recent legislation and the terms of the new rating schedule will permit such increases.

Chairman Miller has for the last year been urging the director to institute a general review of all classes of disallowed claims, both those where service connection has not been established and those where no compensation was being paid because less than 10 per cent ratings were in effect.

In his announcement, Director Hines states:

"Upon examination into this matter I find that the load of disallowed cases consists of two types; first, those wherein a disability has been disclosed which is due to service, but less than 10 per cent in degree; and second, cases in which either no disease or injury is found, or service connection has not been established for the conditions noted.

"It does not appear necessary to review both types of cases for the reason that the application of the



Watson B. Miller.

disability rating schedule to the second class of cases would not result in any action favorable to these claimants. Cases of the second class wherein changes of the law with respect to service connection have made possible favorable reconsideration, have been carefully reviewed, in many instances more than once, and I, therefore, do not believe that the review should include cases of this type.

"With respect to the cases wherein a service connected disease or injury has been found to exist but compensation for the resulting disability has been disallowed because less than 10 per cent in degree, or cases wherein compensation has been discontinued under the old schedule for the reason that the disability fell to less than 10 per cent degree, the bureau will conduct a review just as soon as funds are available from which to pay the resulting awards.

"Due to the failure of passage of the deficiency bill at the last session of congress, current expenditures for payment of compensation are being met from the next year's appropriation for this purpose. I have secured the approval of the comptroller general for this use of the funds for current purposes but I doubt the legality of making expenditures due to a review initiated at this particular time.

"I regret exceedingly this situation but believe that we can complete our plans, issue instructions to the field and clear the track so that the delay in initiating this work will be somewhat compensated by the expedition with which it may later be accomplished."

Complete instructions were issued in May to all regional offices so that the review could be promptly commenced on July 1.

Chairman Miller said it was difficult to give even a rough estimate of the number of claims involved in the review, but that there are many thousands of them. The director's decision to inaugurate the review is considered by Legion officials as a distinct victory in the interest of veteran claimants.

Legion Maintains Life Guard

American Legion members of Santa Monica, Calif., have offered to make ocean bathing there safer in the summer by maintaining a volunteer life guard on the beach in front of the Legion clubhouse, and by erecting an observation tower for life guards on the beach.

Poplar Bluff—Third big natural gas company asks for franchise here.

Doniphan—New fire truck ordered for this place.

The use of good home-grown legume hay and silage is the basis of economical feeding of dairy cows. The cost of the grain portion of the ration will depend largely upon the quantity of these roughages available. A dairyman who has several stacks or a barn full of legume hay and a silo full of silage need not worry about the winter feed bill. Every cow should have these roughage feeds.

Onions like some other vegetables and fruits may be cooled somewhat below the freezing point without actual freezing taking place provided they are not in any way disturbed. Under commercial conditions it sometimes happens that onions are inadverently allowed to be exposed for some time to a temperature below their freezing point (about 40 degrees F.). Under such conditions a wise precaution is to warm the onions gradually to a temperature somewhat above their freezing point before attempting to move or otherwise disturb hem.

Lowndes—New school building under construction here.

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MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL REVIEW NEWS

Eureka—Blomis & Plagamann garage installs two new gasoline pumps.

Republic—H. P. Sullivan reconstructing his building damaged by fire.

Osceola—Work progressing steadily on Osage River dam here being installed by Ozark Power Company of Pleasant Hill.

Lonejack—This place to be in Missouri Public Service Company's network of towns shortly.

Jasper—Earl & Simpson shipped car of cattle to Kansas City from this place on recent day.

Gravel Hill—Farmers in this locality gathering corn.

Altenburg—Electric light plant here sold to Missouri General Utilities Company.

Hayti—New Methodist church here dedicated.

Wyaconda—A. Tweed shipped 3 carloads stock from here on recent day to Chicago.

Illmo—Ideal Telephone Company to provide Illmo and Fornfelt with first-class telephone service shortly.

Jefferson City—State game and fish commission purchased 50 deer and large number of wild turkeys for distribution to various state refuges.

Kahoka—Bankers met here recently and formed organization for Clark County.

South St. Louis—Missouri Pacific Railroad Company rebuilds crossing at Koeln Avenue and one at Wilmington Avenue.

Chilhowee—Road Club raising money to open new road east of here.

Kansas City—New road opened on 85th street east from Prospect Ave. to U. S. Highway No. 71.

Barderick—E. Wheeland shipped car of hogs to Kansas City from here on a recent day.

Pattensburg—Green-Toolye Mill & Company installs new corn sheller at its elevator here.

Santa Rosa—Missouri Power and Light Company building line from here to Fairport.

Union—Eight cars stock shipped from here recently over Burlington Railroad.

Breckenridge—E. Wilson shipped car of hogs to St. Joseph market from here on recent day.

Bethany—Middle States Utilities Company constructing new cable system for Bethany telephone exchange.

Vandalia—Southwestern Bell Telephone Company installs telephone in fire house on north side.

Vandalia—Stop and No U-Turn rubber signs installed in main street of this city.

Vineland—Railroad company completes new addition to stock pen here.

Strafford—New building for Bank of Strafford completed.

Marshfield—Brooks Produce Company, new business firm, opens in McMahan building on south side of square.

South St. Louis—Several new dwellings being constructed here.

House Springs—Highway No. 30 dedicated here.

Lebanon—Lebanon Cheese Factory made its first shipment recently.

Kingston—Road work on highway 13 north of this town nearly completed.

Nearby and Yonder

By T. T. MAXEY

WNU Service

The President's Church

ST. JOHN'S Episcopal church, across Lafayette square from the White House in Washington, built as a convenience and to split the difference between Old. St. John's in Georgetown (West Washington) and old Christ church in the southeastern part of town, in the early days when the question of transportation was a problem, gradually became the house of worship of Presidents and, as a consequence, to be known as the President's church.

This quaint and dignified structure, which is numbered among the oldest relics of its class within the present city, dates from 1818. Obviously, its historical associations are many.

Originally constructed in the form of a simple Greek cross, its convenient location so popularized it that it was enlarged to the form of a Latin cross, a portico fronted by six plain columns and a three-story steeple added, and a special pew set aside for the President.

Presidents Madison, Monroe, Adams, Jackson, Van Buren, Harrison, Tyler, Fillmore, Buchanan, Arthur and Roosevelt are said to have worshiped here.

Many persons of prominence in world affairs have been married in or buried from this church. The remains of Rev. William Hawley, who was its rector for twenty-eight years, lie beneath the chancel.

Among its cherished possessions is a ten-thousand-dollar communion chalice of solid gold set with diamonds, made from the jewelry of a member who willed it to the church.

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VON HINDENBURG SAYS AMERICANS WON WAR

New York, December 15.—An interview given by Field Marshal von Hindenburg the week after the armistice to three American war correspondents, in which he admitted that the American troops in the Argonne were responsible for winning the war, is published for the first time in the January issue of "The New Age Illustrated". The statement was obtained by George Seldes and two other American war correspondents who slipped through the retreating Germans into Germany the week after the signing of the armistice.

Seldes in "The New Age Illustrated" quotes the present President of Germany as follows:

"The American infantry in the Argonne won the war. To begin with, I must confess that Germany could not have won the war—that is, after 1917. We might have won on land. We might have taken Paris. But after the failure of the world food crops of 1916 the British food blockade reached its greatest effectiveness in 1917. However, without American troops against us and despite a food blockade which was undermining the civilian population of Germany and curtailing the rations in the field we could still have had a peace without victor. The war could have ended in a sort of stalemate. And even if we had not had the better of the fighting in the end as we had until July 18, 1918, we could have had an acceptable peace. We were still a great force and we had divisions in reserve always which the enemy attacks could never use up completely.

"Even the attack of July 18, which the Allied Generals may consider the turning point in the war, did not use up a very important part of the German army or smash all our positions. To win a war it is necessary, as you know, to place the enemy forces hors de combat.

"In the summer of 1918 the German army was able to launch offensive after offensive—almost one a month. We had the men, the munitions and the morale, and we were not overbalanced. But the balance was broken by the American troops.

"The Argonne battle was slow and difficult, but it was strategic. It was bitter and it used up division after division. We had to hold the Metz-Longuyon roads and railroad, and we had hoped to stop all American attacks until the entire army was out of Northern France. We were passing through the neck of a vast bottle. But the neck was narrow. German and American divisions fought each other to a standstill in the Argonne.

"And then the day came when the American command sent new divisions into battle and when it had not even a broken division to plug up the gaps. There was nothing left to do but ask terms.

"From a military point of view, the Argonne battle as conceived and carried out by the American command was the climax of the war and its deciding factor. Without the American blow in the Argonne, we could have made a satisfactory peace at the end of a stalemate, or at least held our last positions on our own frontier indefinitely—undefeated.

"So I must really say that the British food blockade of 1917 and the American blow in the Argonne of 1918 decided the war for the allies".

LOU C. LOZIER TO RUN FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

Washington, December 15.—Lou C. Lozier, son of Representative Ralph Lozier of Carrollton, Mo., will resign as chief counsel for the State Highway Commission about the first of the new year and announce his candidacy for the Democratic nomintaion as Attorney General of Missouri. This information was imparted by his father today.

The younger Lozier has been with the State Commission for about five years, about two years ago succeeding Newton Wilder, Republican, of Kansas City, when the latter resigned, despite the desire of Gov. Baker to have the succession go to Judge Otto, Republican.

Congressman Lozier is expecting his son to come to Washington soon to spend a few days with his parents.

FRUIT TREES DAMAGED BY VARIETY OF RODENT PESTS

In many States, mice, rabbits, and pocket gophers do considerable damage to orchards, especially to young fruit trees, during the fall and winter months. This injury is serious enough to warrant the protection of all young fruit trees against danger for at least the first six or eight years after transplanting.

Meadow mice as a rule make their runways on the surface of the ground under grass, leaves, or other sheltering litter. They gnaw the bark of trees to about 6 inches above ground. Pine mice make their runways underground, much as moles do, and attack the roots of trees. Clean cultivation of the entire orchard will eliminate these mice, but where this is not considered practicable a small area cleared away from around each tree will help. This method cannot be everywhere depended upon, however, as the mice often damage the trees under the protection of deeps nows. Poisoning has been found by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture to be he most generally effective method of control.

To prevent rabbit injury it is necessary to wrap the base of tree trunks to a height of 18 or 20 inches. Poultry wire, old newspapers, gunny sacks, or patented wire wrappers may be used. Cloth or paper or tar-paper wrappers should be removed early in spring before growth starts. Poisoned baits may also be used against rabbits if they do much damage.

Pocket gophers work underground, gnawing the roots of the young trees, and oftimes evidence of damage is not found until some of the trees are killed and others badly injured. The same general methods that are used to kill pocket gophers in alfalfa fields should be applied, and thorough eradication should be accomplished both in and around the orchard, because if pocket gophers are allowed to winter near by they are likely ot feed on the roots.

Detailed information concerning the control of these and other injurious rodents may be obtained upon request addressed to the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

BEAUTY A TOWN ASSET

In spite of the apparent commercialism of the age in which we live, it is evident to any observer that the American people are rapidly developing a greater appreciation of the beautiful. This is not confined to the wealthier classes, but extends to the great masses in the towns and villages and in the rural districts.

New towns and new sections of the older ones are being laid out with wider streets, with provision for larger lawns, more trees, shrubbery and flowers, and a more attractive setting generally.

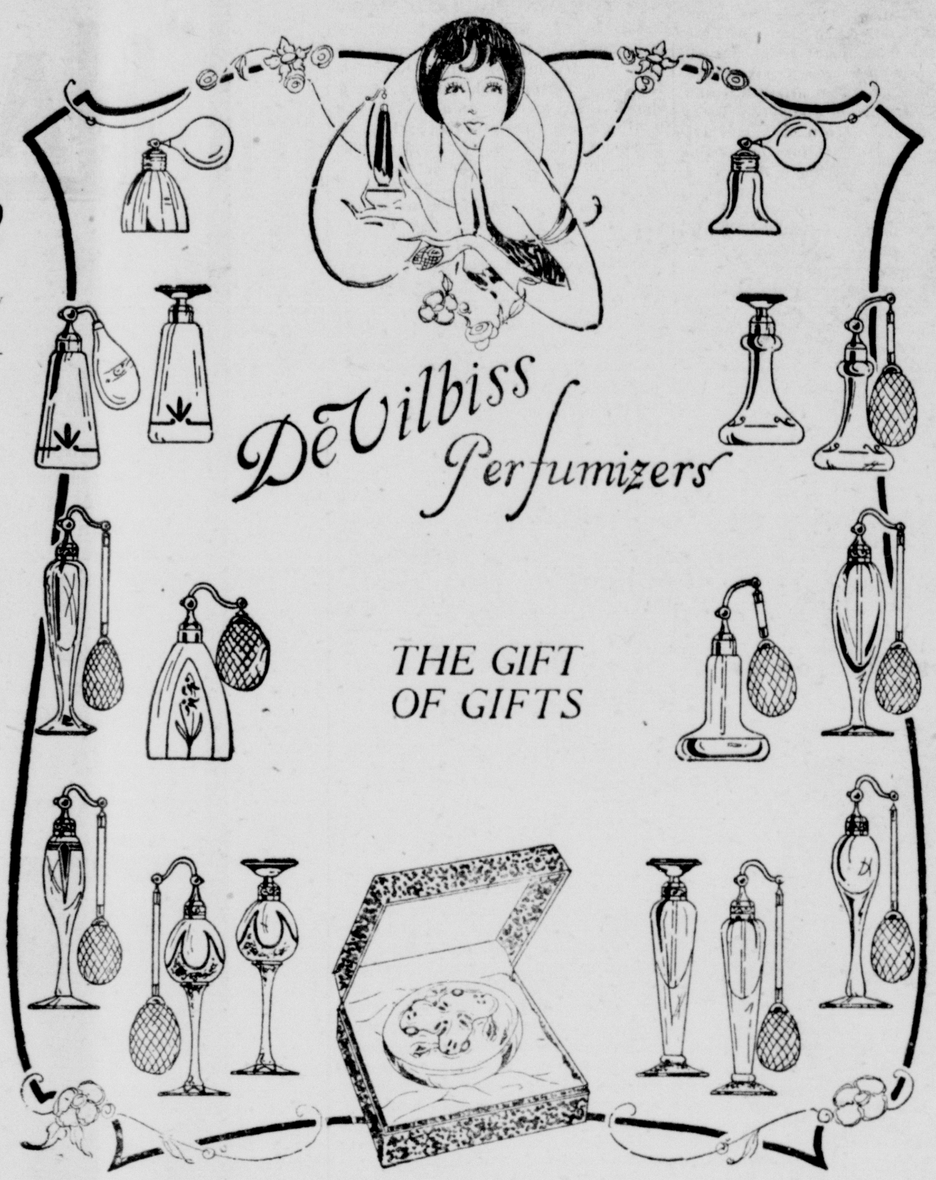
Recently built houses show better architecture and greater harmony with their surroundings, while unsightly yard fences have largely disappeared. The net result of all these modern developments is beauty. And aside from the satisfaction which it affords the eye, it pays in dollars and cents.

Beautiful cities, towns and villages attract people. They attract permanent residents, they attract tourists, and they attract trade. It is natural that a person selecting a trading center will choose a town that is beautiful and clean in preference to one that is unsightly and dirty, if other conditions are anyway near equal.

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CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

John J. Zimmerman, 68-year-old bridge foreman of the Frisco Railroad, died in the hospital in Cape Girardeau, Saturday, as the result of a head-on collision of a Frisco tram car and a tram car of the Himmelberger-Harrison Lumber Co., Friday evening. West Smith, a mill employee, was returning from his work in the timber when darkness caught him before arriving in town. The Frisco bridge gang had been called to Bloomfield. They started out after six o'clock in the evening. Neither car had lights, hence the collision, which killed Zimmerman, crushing his skull above the eyes, injured Smith and slightly injured several of the others and wrecked both cars.

Kennet Averett and Gussie Westerfield were married at New Madrid last week. Kenneth graduated from high school last year. He distinguished himself in athletics throughout Southeast Missouri, having been captain of the high school football and basketball teams, and a four letter man. He was also pitcher of the local baseball team. Both Kenneth and his wife had been working in Chicago, returning here to enter the Holy state of matrimony and to spend the winer. They expect to return to Chicago next spring.

Morehouse basketball fans were treated to an agreeable surprise, Friday night, when the young and light local girls' team held Chaffee to 16 to 14, and the tigers, though small and inexperienced showed a great speed and skill to trim the Chaffee team, 21-9.

The school authorities announce a School Fair and carnival for December 20. The entire school will be converted into an amusement hall with a dozen forms of entertainment, including a slide, side-shows, refreshments and special features. It is a penny affair. It will cost little and provide much fun.

Mrs. Alice Clark is leaving this week to join Mrs. Ernest Crumpecker at Houston, Texas. She is undecided as to whether she will make Houston her future home or return to Morehouse.

A Ford coupe, belonging to Miss Hattie Harp, was stolen from its parking place in front of the Postoffice, Saturday afternoon about four o'clock. The car was insured and a reward goes to the one who apprehends the thief.

James Twitty is lying at the point of death as a result of a knife cut over the heart and into the lungs which he received in a drunken brawl on the school grounds Friday night. Loren Bradshaw is in jail charged with murder, having cut Twitty with a knife. Bradshaw was fighting with a boy from Sikeston, when Twitty tried to intercept in favor of the Sikeston boy. The cutting insued. All of the young men were more or less under the influence of "White Mule". The affair came near breaking up a basketball game which was in progress in the gymnasium.

DEATH OF MRS. ROBT. BOYER

Mrs. Martha Boyer, beloved wife of Robert Boyer, passed away at her home in Sikeston last Tuesday, aged 66 years and was buried Wednesday afternoon, Rev. S. P. Brite conducting the burial services. The body was laid to rest in the Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Boyer is survived by her husband and four sons, namely: Hubert, Fred, Herman and James. James was the only one of her sons, who was not able to be here for the funeral.

WORK IN DORENA DISTRICT

East Prairie, December 17.—Red Cross workers have been busy in this section the past week checking, assigning furniture, reconstructing houses and doing the many "jobs" the organization requires of them.

Auditors from Washington, D. C., were here the first of the week to audit the accounts of the county organization. Miss Pauline Marshall, reconstruction officer from headquarters in St. Louis, was here in consultation with H. S. Roberts, Mississippi County chairman. Mrs. Claude B. McCartney, district representative, is now assisting Mr. Roberts and Mrs. Mabel Gynne, who is taking a furniture census of the district of those who lost in the flood caused by the break of the Dorena levee.

Mrs. McCartney accompanied Miss Jessie Clark, Red Cross case worker, to Poplar Bluff and spent several days in that territory. Miss Clark will be stationed at Poplar Bluff for some time; she was succeeded in New Madrid and Scott counties by Miss Dorothy Hall, also a case worker, from headquarters in St. Louis.

Stevenson says a joke enjoyed in common binds friends. England and America should be thankful for Big Bill.—Hagerstown Herald.

It seems that the Armistice was signed in a dining-car. No wonder the World War turned out to be so expensive.—San Diego Union.

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CAPE TEACHERS SIGN NEW FOOTBALL COACH

Cape Girardeau, December 18.—Victor Drumm, former Missouri University football player, was appointed head grid coach of the Cape Girardeau Teachers' College for the 1928 season, was announced by President J. A. Serena yesterday. Drumm will take the duties of Coach F. J. Courleux, who is now on a leave of absence.

Jerry Lewis, Central High School coach, was named director of athletics, basketball and track coach.

TWO KILLED AT CROSSING

Hayti, Mo., December 18.—Two negroes were instantly killed and three were injured about 12:30 p. m. today when the Ford coupe in which they were riding were struck by a fast northbound Frisco train at Hayti crossing.

The automobile was completely demolished. One tire was flung a distance of 100 yards by the impact. The occupants of the car were father, mother and their three children. The two dead are the father and a grown son.

The writer believes folks like to talk about how "hard times are" and how hard up they are. As long as people have that idea we are not likely to see much improvement. No one wants to buy a farm on a business in a section of the country where everybody is pinched to make a living. And times are not "hard". We have listened to many of our older friends and to our grandfather, before he died, tell about conditions they had to endure while making their start in life. Money was not available always for even sufficient food to satisfy the appetite. "Store clothes" could not be bought but out of necessity were made at home. At Christmas the children frequently got either nothing or at the most an orange and some cheap candy with possibly a home made toy. Contrast that with our so-called "hard times". The family which does not have an automobile is the exception. Fifty per cent or more enjoy a radio. The homes in which sufficient food is not available are very rare. If any child sees Christmas dawn in Shelbina or vicinity without Santa Claus coming, it is because his parents did not let anyone know of their condition. We may not be independently rich, but our grandparents would laugh at the idea that we were "hard up".—Shelbina Democrat.

NEW MADRID COUNTY HAS GOOD CORN CROP

New Madrid, December 18.—The use of 90-day corn by farmers in the flooded area has been a material aid in helping the county produce one of its best corn crops. Not only has more acreage been sown, but the 90-day corn is grading but exceptionally well and contains but little moisture.

A tenant of J. Val Baker, prosecuting attorney, planted a 90-day variety July 14. The field is yielding 40 bushels per acre, and the yield will be sold for seed corn.

Judge G. L. Tinsley, in an effort to assist the farmers, ordered several thousand bushels of 90-day varieties seed from reputable dealers. It was fortunate for the county that this was done, as shortly afterwards it was impossible to secure high grade 90-day seed corn. Judge Tinsley stated that, from the number of favorable comments that he had received, there was no question but what the use of 90-day corn had made the farmers of the county thousands of dollars.

Binford Henry, a farmer in the flooded area, made $3500 from a 70-acre sunflower crop planted after all other crops had failed.

This is an outstanding example of turning defeat into victory. Henry who lives in the eastern part of the county on the Mississippi River had flood waters covering his land twice last spring. He was not able to begin work until late June, the 70 acres were planted to corn twice and each time the stand was destroyed by cutworms. July 15 he planted the field to sunflowers. Last month he harvested the crop and has now disposed of them to dealers here. He receive $3500 for the seed.

Miss Burdine Schroff is home from Central College, Fayette, Mo., for the holidays.

An American left the bulk of his fortune to his lawyer. If everybody did this, a lot of time would be saved.—London Opinion.

Misses Hyacinth Sheppard and Evelyn Sutton spent Sunday afternoon near New Madrid, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lilbourn Stepp.

Little Jackie Bernard Richardson arrived Saturday morning, December 17, to make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Richardson of Reno, Ark. Mrs. Richardson, formerly Miss Nina Taylor of this city, is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Taylor. Mother and babe are getting along satisfactorily.

CLEVER NEW SPRING HATS



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BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR CHARITY WORK

The following were named to constitute the Board of Governors of the Charity organization, which was formed last week. Each church is represented by a member:

Catholic—Emanuel Schorle.
Baptist—Mrs. W. T. Shanks.
Christian—Lee Bowman.
Methodist—Mrs. G. A. Dempster.
Presbyterian—Wm. L. Huters.
Lutheran—R. M. Hilleman.
Nazarene—Lawrence Able.

C. C. White was elected President, Capt. E. T. Wheatley, Vice-President and Mrs. C. C. White, Secretary-Treasurer.

This meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. White, Friday evening of last week. Ned Matthews and Miss Hall, representative of the Red Cross, met with them. There is, at this time, many calls for help and after Christmas there will be put on a drive for funds to carry on this relief work.

Clothes are being distributed thru the Red Cross organization, but they cannot supply the needed with money. If you have any clothes that you can possibly spare, you should send them to the room next door to the Express Office on Malone Avenue, where they will be given to someone who is badly in need of them .

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sharp and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dunn of Clarkton were the guests over the week-end, of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Trowbridge.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy rendered us during the illness and death of our dear wife and mother.

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Mrs. Amelia Smith is in Union City, Tenn., nursing Mrs. Weyman Luten, who has a little daughter, born Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Old and children of Memphis, Tenn., will arrive in Sikeston Christmas Eve to spend Christmas day with Mrs. Ella Old.

Spencer Black arrived in Sikeston from Atlanta, Ga., where he has been a student at Georgia Tech. He and his sister, Miss Hilma, will leave for Wewoka, Okla., the last of the week to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Black.

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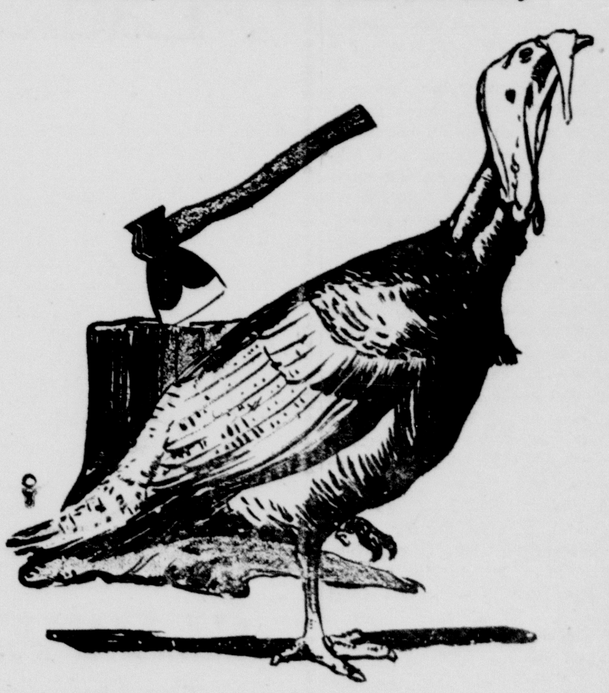
Miss Myra Tanner entertained on Friday evening with a dinner, complimentary to Mrs. Joe H. Allen of St. Joe. Covers were laid for thirty guests. The table decorations were in red and green and were very effective.

Among the many students, who returned to Sikeston from school last week to spend the Christmas holidays were: Misses Forde Bowman, Ruth Baker, Barbara Beck, Tylene Kendall, Virginia Freeman, Elizabeth Stallcup, Lucille and Louise Stubblefield and Lena Matthews.

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STATEMENT OF SENATOR HARRY B. HAWES

Study of the Davis-Jadwin Flood Control report reveals an attempt on the part of he Army Engineers to secure more power and to lessen civilian participation in the Flood Control program, and to handle a serious national situation without presenting the river problem in its entirey.

Immediately following the flood disaster, we were told to wait, to remain silent. But unfortunately, Missouri, through its newspapers, its civic organizations, and its representatives, did not remain silent. In the light of the Davis-Jadwin report, our course in submitting the Missouri Plan as a basis for discussion has been justified.

I do not know a Senator in the Valley States affected by the flood who is not now openly opposing the Davis-Jadwin report, and I am informed the same situation prevails in the House.

No Representative from Missouri who has studied the report, who understands it, and who has proper consideration for Missouri, can possibly vote for it.

The report, in my opinion, will be rejected by the Senate and there are prospects of its defeat in the House.

Personally, I shall oppose it and unless radically amended will vote against it.

The entire Mississippi Valley has has been deceived; it had hoped for an entirely different recommendation.

But of all the States in the Valley, Missouri receives the poorest and most inconsiderate treatment.

For years, through various civic organizations, financed by patriotic citizens, we have worked for the river and a comprehensive plan looking to the improvement of navigation and flood control.

Now in the wake of a great disaster, we secure nothing for the Missouri River or the Upper Mississippi stretch, and the partial destruction of at least two Souheast Missouri Counties, Mississippi and New Madrid is recommendde.

The report proposes to create a floodway in Mississippi and New Madrid Counties by constructing levees five miles back from the present levees on the Missouri side, from a point nearly opposite Cairo to a point near New Madrid.

The present levees are to be lowered five feet. The effect of this, according to the Report will be to lower the flood plane at Cairo only one and one-half feet, based upon the 1927 flood.

At the same time it takes 160,000 acres of Missouri land for a floodway, sixty per cent of which land is in cultivation, and over ninety thousand acres of which is held by land owners holding less than 500 acres each.

All of this land is now in levee districts and drainage districts, with an approximate $2,000,000 bonded indebtedness for levees and drainage. The total indebtedness against the land, including loans, secured by mortgages, is approximately $5,000,000.

But the proposal would require these local districts to pay twenty per cent of the cost of construction of new levees, in addition to furnishing the right-of-way and paying such damages as result from the work. They must also pay all the expense of cutting down the old levees five feet.

The Davis-Jadwin plan destroys the drainage outlets of eleven Drainage Districts draining all the territory east of New Madrid and Sikeston, and will require new diversions and new construction; it wrecks the drainage system of this territory. The cost of the work required to correct this has been estimated by engineers to be $1,500,000.

If this plan is adopted, no building or other structure can be erected within the floodway area without the consent and recommendation of the Chief of Engineers and the approval of the Secretary of War.

Summarizing, the Davis-Jadwin plan would add 160,000 acres to the flooded area in Missouri and the estimated costs to local districts affected will be $910,000, for levee rights of way; $3,200,000 contribution for levee construction; $1,500,000 for drainage diversion; a total of $5,610,000.

This does not include cost of cutting down fifty-five miles of present levee. With this included, the cost will far exceed the assessed valuation of the territory proposed to be thrown into a floodway, while the damage to the land will depreciate its present value at least forty per cent.

Such a plan means not only damage to the State and counties, but a damage to the individual owners of the land.

The Davis-Jadwin plan proposes a greater hardship than has resulted from any flood.

The land which it is proposed to put into a floodway is not unreclaimed land, but is rich, alluvial soil, some fo the best in Missouri. It produces not only the wheat, corn and hay of the north but the cotton and alfalfa of he south.

Of all the points on the river from its source to its mouth, less consideration was given to, less protection offered for and greater cost is placed upon these two counties than in the case of any other similar section involved.

The citizens of that section have cause for indignation. I hope they will form an organized protest. Back of this section of our State, I feel certain we will find the sympathetic support of the entire state and its large cities.

I hope the voice of protest will be heard and that the state will not permit the Davis-Jadwin report to be adopted if it can prevent it.

I am sure the other counties in the State will come to the support of Southeast Missouri and prevent the rape of this rich, alluvial territory.

Devastation for Southeast Missouri—and nothing for the rest of the State—is all that is proposed for Missouri in the report of the Army Engineers.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of expressing our greatful thanks to our friends and neighbors for extending their help and sympathy to us during the illness and death of our dear husband and father.

The A. C. Johnson Family.

Swedish railways will experiment with a locomotive in which the power from Diesel engines is transmitted to the driving shafts by hydraulic motors.

As the congregation in the South Side church in Chicago was singing 'Lead, Kindly Light", all the lights went out, and candles were used to finish the service.

News from Berlin states that diagnosis of cancer in its earliest stages before pain is felt has been made possible by discoveries recently made at Hamburg. The diagnosis is made by examination of a drop of blood from the patient's ear.

O. O. McIntyre tells of a publiciyt seeker who got more than he bargained for. He wired a comedian friend: "I am bringing my girl to the show tonight. If you can use my name in a gag, I will appreciate it". The comedian complied by reading the telegram from the stage.

PROSECUTOR DAZED BY VERDICT FREEING THREE BIRGER GANGSTERS

Marion, Ill., December 18.—Stunned, as though struck suddenly unconscious, State's Attorney Arlie Boswell, when he heard of the acquittal verdict of the jurors in the trial of three alleged gangsters for trial of three alleged gangsters for the gang war murder of Lyle Worsham, turned on his heel and walked from the courtroom in a daze last night, Without comment he slowly walked down the worn stairway of the dirty, dingy Courthouse muttering: "What's the use?"

Today, Boswell, recovered from the shock, said he hardly knew whether it was worth while to try other gang cases here, and intimated that he would oppose the first trials for the murder of Highway Patrolman Lory Price at Nashville in Washington County. Price and his wife were shot in Williamson County, but according to a confession of Art Newman, one of the convicted murderers of Mayor Joe Adams of West City, Price died in Washington County, where his body was found. Mrs. Price was killed in Williamson County and her body found in an abandoned mine shaft.

Circuit Judge Hartwell, who has also served as a prosecutor in Williamson County, seemed greatly surpriced and shocked by the acquittal verdicts, and after a talk with jurors said that they told him the testimnoy of Elbert Scobey, Marion undertaker, that the body taken from the burned building was that of a woman instead of a man, weighed the heaviest with them in arriving at a verdict. The defense also introduced some evidence and dwelt at length in their closing arguments upon the allegation that both Eurel Gowan and Clarence Rone, state witnesses and gangsters, had had personal difficulties with the defendants and had threatened to "frame them". The first of the two ballots taken by the jurors stood nine to three for acquittal. The state had insisted on a verdict of death.

Harvey Dungy, now serving a 10-year-to-life sentence at Chester Penitentiary for robbery in Franklin County, will be returned to the Penitentiary, while Fred Thomasson and Joe Booher, the other two defendants, are held on other charges.

Benton, Ill., December 18.—"Lucky boys! They sure got a break!" This was the only comment Charlie Birger would make today regarding the acquittal at Marion last night of Harvey Dungey, Joe Booher and Fred Thomasson, who were tried for the murder of Lyle "Shag" Worsham. When shown the statement made by Attorney John Reid, in which Reid compared Birger to Pontius Pilate, Birger smiled, but said nothing. Birger spent more than an hour this afternoon in conference with his brother-in-law, Jake Shamsky of St. Louis. Shamsky also refused to give out anything regarding the conference.

It is understood Dungey will be returned to the penitentiary at Chester tomorrow o serve out his sentence of ten year to life for the robbery of Joseph Clinton at Freeman, March 12 last. Dungey was convicted in Circuit Court here August 4. Birger was accused of saturating Worsham's clothing with gasoline and applying the match after he had been killed.

NO FANCY NAMES FOR PRESIDENT'S WIFE

Whether by design or accident, the fact remains that, withone small exception, no girl with a fancy Christian name has ever diverted the eye of a president of the United States to the matrimonial altar. Save for a single Dolly, no woman wih an overly ornamental or cutie label has thus far, in the history of the republic, shared the throne.

The thirty-three spouses of the twenty-eight presidents (one, Buchanan, remained a bachelor) have all borne plain, everyday first names. Two Marthas, two were Marys, two were Abigails, two were Elizas, two were Ediths, two were Julias, two Carolines, two were Ellens, and the rest were Sarahs, Louisas, Rachels, Hannahs, Annas, Margarets, Janes, Lucys, Lettys, Franceses, Idas, Alices, Helens, Florences and Graces. A Lucretia, it is true, became Mrs. Garfield, but the president never called her that; from his courtship days she was always plain Lucy to him.

If Al Smith succeeds to the throne, he will share it with a Catherine. If Lowden, sitting beside him will be a Florence. If inconceivably McAdoo, it will be an Eleanor. If Dawes, a Caro, and if Jim Retd, a Lura may boggle statistics. But in the general run of things it apparently has always been a bad day for the Gladyses, Maes, Violets, Daisys, Pearls, Hazels, Maybelles, Bonnies, Trixies, Dots and other such little sunshine.—American Mercury.

All but one of the 10 children of Isaac Forbes of Leroy, Ill., weigh more than 200 pounds each.

Two puppies weighing only about one and a half ounces each were born at Lewiston, Me., their mother being Lady Flame, a pedigreed Pomeranian.

When Joseph Robeen, 72, applied to a St. Louis judge for a marriage license and was asked the name of the bride-to-be, he replied, "I don't know; I just met her three weeks ago".

The Thurmond Evang. Party of Benton, Ill., began an old time religion revival at the Assembly of God Church Sunday night, located at 716 Prosperity Street of this city. It is said that Rev. Thurmond has great success in his campaigns and is a forceable speaker. Mrs. Thurmond plays and sings special songs with the help of her daughter, Justine Chlo. Wlliam Lane Thurmond, who is ten years of age, also sings special songs and plays on the cornet. The public is invited.

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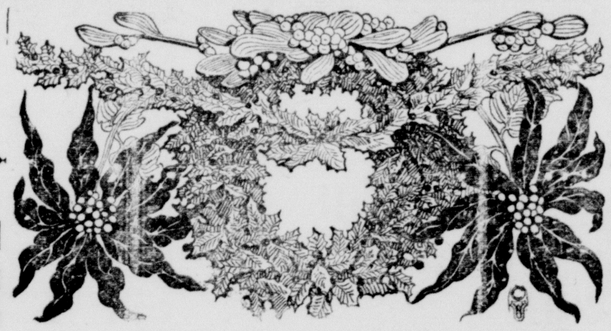
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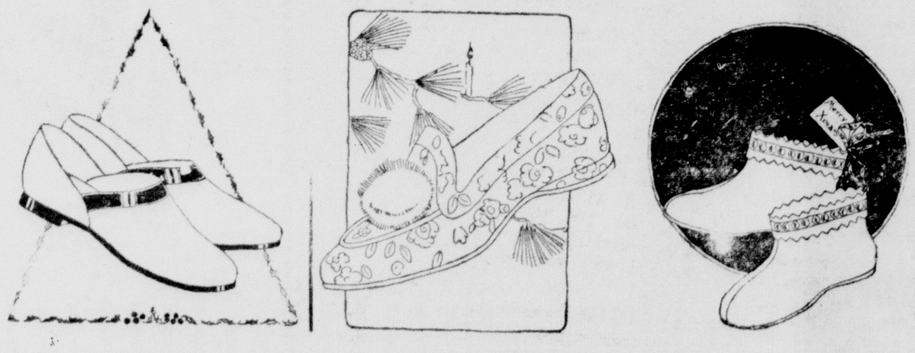
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How to Play BRIDGE

Series 1927-28 by **Wynne Ferguson**

Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

ARTICLE NO. 15

One of the difficult problems of auction bridge arises when the opponents have bid four or five of their suit and partner has doubled. Shall you go on with your suit or try to defeat the opponents? The answer to that question decides many a game and rubber, so any examples that help to decide it should be very helpful.

Hand No. 1

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—Q, 10, 4
Clubs—Q, 7
Diamonds—A, 10
Spades—A, K, Q, 10, 9, 8

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one spade, A bid two diamonds, Y bid two spades and B passed. Z passed, A bid three diamonds, Y bid three spades and B bid four diamonds. Z bid four spades, A bid five diamonds, Y doubled and B passed. What should Z do? Should he allow the double to stay in or should he bid five spades? This is a very close hand. The fact that Z's partner has helped his bid twice makes it practically certain that he can make five spades. On the other hand, it looks as if he can beat the opponents three or more tricks at five diamonds doubled. In my opinion, however, Z should take the certain game and rubber, especially as he holds eight honors. If he defeats his opponents, they may win game and rubber on the next hand and so nullify the good results of the double. On close hands such as this, take the certainty. There is really no other determining factor.

Hand No. 2

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—J, 4
Clubs—7
Diamonds—10, 8, 7, 6, 2
Spades—Q, 9, 4, 3, 2

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one heart and A passed. Y bid four hearts and B doubled. If Z passed what should A do? Any double of a bid of four or more is a business double, one made to defeat the contract, so that A has the choice of passing, in the hope hat B has sufficient high cards to defeat the bid, or of bidding four spades.

If A makes the latter bid, he should do so for two reasons: First, because he thinks Y-Z will make four hearts doubled second, because he thinks Y's jump bid of four hearts shows a desire to shut out the spade bid. B's double must be based on high cards in the other three suits, so A may make four spades and so win game and rubber.

The determining factor, however, is the great weakness of A's hand; the fact that he holds so many spades and diamonds makes it unlikely that even if B has high cards in these suits, he will take as many tricks as he expected. A should, therefore, bid four spades. This is another close hand and should be carefully noted.

Here is a hand of a different type that offered a chance for a big swing that was missed:

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—K, Q, 10, 9
Clubs—7, 5
Diamonds—J, 10, 9, 7
Spades—K, J, 9

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one heart, a very questionable bid. With this type of hand, it is much better to pass and find out what the other players bid before taking any chances. The result of the heart bid was that Z got himself in a position where he played the hand at the wrong bid and failed to go game. After Z bid one heart, A bid one no-trumj, Y bid two hearts and B bid two spades. Z and A passed and Y then bid three clubs. If B passes, what should Z bid?

After having made the mistake of bidding one heart as dealer, Z hasn't much choice except to bid three hearts; but if he would stop to think, he should realize that he and his partner hold the best hands and that their best chance for game is not with a weak four-card heart suit but in no-trump. He has the opponent's declared suit, spades, stopped twice, so should make a bold try for game by bidding three no-trump. At either hearts or no-trump, Y-Z can make three odd, so that Z's bid of three no-trump would have been a big winner. If Z passed in the first instance, he would not have got into any trouble. A also would have passed and Y would have bid one club. B would have bid one spade and Z could then have made a sound bid of one no-rtump. All would have passed and Y-Z would have scored game. This hand is noteworthy—first, for Z's bad original bid; second, for the opportunity later offered to correct his mistake. It is interesting and instructive.

Problem No. 16

Hearts—J, 6, 5
Clubs—K, 8, 5, 2
Diamonds—A, 7, 3
Spades—Q, 10, 6

Hearts—K, 8, 7, 3, 2
Clubs—Q, J, 10, 9
Diamonds—J, 4
Spades—9, 8

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—10, 9
Clubs—7, 4
Diamonds—K, Q, 10, 6
Spades—J, 5, 4, 3, 2

Hearts—A, Q, 4
Clubs—A, 6, 3
Diamonds—9, 8, 5, 2
Spades—A, K, 7

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one no-trump and all passed. A opened the trey of hearts, Y played the five, B the nine and Z won the trick with the queen. Z now led the trey of clubs, A played the nine, Y the deuce and B the four. A now led the queen of clubs which Z won with the ace in his own hand. How should he play the hand to go game against any defense? Solution in the next article.

The New York supreme court has ruled that when a man is sent to prison for life he is legally dead, and his wife can hold his property and marry again.

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Bryan McMahon, 85 years old, of Dublin, has dug his own grave, put up a headstone and made his coffin.

A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Jackson of Chicago, while she was hurrying to the hospital in a taxicab.

Ike Martin, 24 inches high, a vaudeville performer of Jacksonville, Fla., has filed suit for divorce from his wife, who is 23 inches high, charging cruelty.

Daniel Brown, a Tennessee mountaineer who believes that man must not alter the appearance God gave him, was arrested for refusing to permit his two sons to be vaccinated.

GARDNER EMPHATIC THAT HE IS SEEKING NO POLITICAL OFFICE

St. Louis, December 18.—Former Governor Frederick D. Gardner, who was host yesterday to a group of St. Louis newspaper men and a few other friends at his farm home in St. Charles County, made it clear in a welcome talk to his guests that he has at this time no plan to run for the Democratic nomination for Governor or any other office.

He said he had circumscribed the size of the guest list for yesterday's dinner, at which wild duck and country ham were served to St. Louis friends, in order that there could be given to the gathering no political significance. His guests included both Republican and Democrats. Gardner did not mention the governorship race, but emphasized the point that he has no political aspirations and is seeking nothing in politics.

The wild ducks which Gardner's 36 guess consumed he himself shot upon his farm. The ham, which they consumed, was cured by the ex-Governor in his own smokehouse, and the hogs were raised by him on the farm, which comprises 350 acres.

The only Democrats from out-state who attended were Charles L. Wood of Rolla, a member of the Legislature from Phelps County, and Omar D. Gray of Sturgeon, who was State Oil Inspector under the Gardner administration.

George S. Johns, editor of the editorial page of the Post-Dispatch, was toastmaster. W. R. Jackson, of St. Louis, formerly Postmaster, at Mexico, Mo., and Woods were among the speakers.

It is known that Gardner, who was a delegate at large to the last, two Democratic national conventions, will no ask to be made one of the delegates next year.

If these should come to him a general demand to run for Governor, Gardner would get into that race, but he will not enter into a primary scramble for the nomination, it is known.

SUCKERS

By Bruce Barton

On my very first day in New York I wandered into a men's furnishing store which was "selling out", and was quickly relieved of $15 for some shirts. They proved to be no good.

That was twelve years ago.

In those twelve years many stores have moved into fine new buildings uptown, and made fortunes. To the revenues of several of these my household contributes in a very small way every year. And generally speaking, I do not think that the men who conduct them are any more brilliantly endowed than that genelal but unscrupulous individual who had the first chance to make me his customer on my first day in town.

But he has not moved into a fine new building. I passed his store yesterday, and he is still "selling out" —still fishing in the troubled waters of deceit, and landing suckers, with painful effort, one at a time.

Said the president of a great soap company some years ago:

"We have been so careful in what we claimed for our product that if we were to advertise tomorrow that our soap is good to eat, 1,000,000 American families would serve it for supper".

By such scrupulous regard for the customer's confidence the really big businesses are built. They flourish in accordance with Mirabeau's dictum: "If honesty did not exist, it would be necessary to invent it as a means of enriching oneself".

Some years after the termination of Mirabeau's stormy career, a gentleman set out to establish a large business on other basis—the assumption that men are suckers, and that he was smarter than all the rest. His uncle said of him, as a boy, that "he would some day govern the world, because he was in the habit of lyng on all occasions".

For several years it looked as if the uncle's prophecy would be fulfilled. But the nephew wound up just where he started. He came from the little island of Corsica, a poor boy; he ended on the little island of St. Helena, a ruined man.

Some day I mean to drop in at the shabby little store which has displayed its lying sign for twelve years and present the proprietor with a life of this gentleman. Napoleon.

"If, with all his brains, he couldn't get away with it", I will ask him, "what chance is there for you?"

The New York court of special sessions fined a father for spanking his 20-year-old daughter.

Marcus Richards of Evanston, Ill., died as a result of overeating, making a meal of cheese only.

Mrs. Emma McMahon, 106 years old, of Kansas City, Mo., is a supervisor in a knitting mill, and helps to support her 70-year-old son, who she says "is too old and feeble to work".



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David Green, a New York importer, predicts that the straw hat will be a thing of the past among well-dressed men within five years.

J. C. Lee of Dawson, Ga., was run over by a farm tractor two days in succession, but was not badly hurt either time.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mack of Cleveland, arrested for spooning in their own car, were awarded $3675 damages by the common pleas court.

Florence De Villier traveled from South Africa to Philadelphia to have removed a paper clip which had been in her lung for 12 years.

A street sweeper found a package of gems worth $1500 in a New York street, where it had lain unnoticed for four days, and restored it to its owner.

Miss Lisbeth Apler, who scratched her name and address on a comb she made in a German factory, will shortly wed Robert Press of New York, who later bought the comb and courted her by correspondence.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kopinsky of Grand Rapids, Mich., who lived together 41 years and were divorced last February, were recently married again.

Miss Ethel Corley and James Elverton of Deal, Eng., eloped to marry, swimming a river to reach a minister's home.

A calf belonging to W. H. Kirkendall of Blue Mountain, Miss., was only 12 inches high and weighed only 15 pounds when three weeks old.

Judge Elmer Kahl of Sidney, Neb., sentenced two men to jail for 60 days on bread and water for violating the prohibition law.

A White Leghorn hen at the Nebraska Agricultural College poultry farm has laid 1200 eggs in less than nine years.

Mrs. Jane Elvash of Glasgow has been arrested for swindling a score of men after promising to marry them.

When Pierre Legniere of Paris boasted that he had wives in 30 towns Mme. Legniere secured evidence that won her divorce.

Miss Rachel Corwen of Duluth, Minn., was arrested for stealing from her employer to buy flowers for a friend's funeral.

A. B. Chester and his bride of Skipton, Eng., are taking their honeymoon trip on horseback through Yorkshire.

When Leslie Makin and Miss Elsie Marshall of Liverpool, were arraigned for fighting on the street the court sentenced them to be married at once.

"The pity of it is", says Impecunious Imogene, "that only the poor seem to know what to do with the money the rich have".

An orange short cake makes a delicious fruit dessert. Serve it hot or cold, either with whipped cream or a sauce.

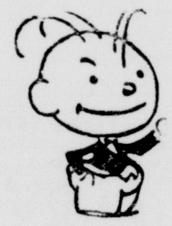
The area of the Pacific Ocean is 70,000,000 square miles, and exceeds the total expanse of all the continents and islands on the globe.

Fifteen bushels in eight minutes was the corn husking record set by Frank Stonek of Fort Dodge, Iowa.

American Telephone & Telegraph Company
Bell System
153rd Dividend

The regular quarterly dividend of two dollars and twenty-five cents ($2.25) per share will be paid on Monday, January 16, 1928, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Tuesday, December 20, 1927.

H. BLAIR-SMITH, Treasurer.



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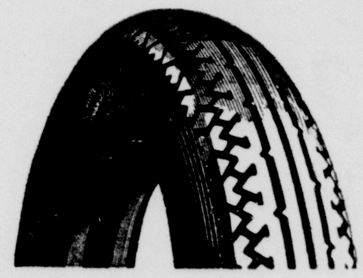
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Old Santa Claus

Dear Santa:

Please bring me whatever you have to spare. I want others to be happy too. I would like a dump truck and a scooter.

THOMAS BLOOMFIELD.

My mother says I've been a real good boy all year, so I think I deserve something for Xmas. I want a drum and some tinker toys. And please Santa don't forget fruits, nuts and candy. Goodbye Santa.

GILBERT HARDEN.

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm writing this letter for me and my little twin sister, both. We are five years old. Sana, sister wants a doll, a little buggy and a broom. I want a doll, a broom and a horn. Please don't forget to bring fruit, nuts and candy.

ALBERT and ALBERTA HARDEN

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 11 years old. I live on a farm two miles north of Sikeston on highway No. 61. My father is a farmer and a dairy man. I can milk cows and I can chop cotton. I am in the seventh grade. My teacher is Mrs. Anna Ancell. I am a member of Hunter school. I have not missed a day this year in school, neither last year. I got a ward of honor too. I want Santa to bring me something for Christmas. I am not going to name anything. I am pleased with anything he brings me. We all should try to do something for our Maker on that day. We all should try to do anything to please Jesus on that day. Don't forget the little orphan children in all the land, and my mother, father, brothers and sister. With love to Santa.

JOHNSY M. TURNER.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 9 years old. My name is Olivela Turner. I have a sister by the name of Johnsy M. She is not going to ask for anything much. She is going to be pleased with anything you bring her. I am going to ask for a pair of gloves, a box of stationery, fountain pen and a blackboard, some chalk. Sis would like to have a fountain pen too, I know. I also received a ward of honor last term at school. My teacher's name is Mrs. Anna Ancell. I am in the 5th grade and I can milk too and chop cotton and I will be pleased with anything that Santa brings me. I will do all I can to make everybody happy on that day because our Savior's birthday. I want all my schoolmates to get acquainted with Santa. He loves all good little girls and boys.

OLIVELA TURNER.

Sikeston High School News

By Hallie Carey

Hurrah- The schools of Sikeston will be dismissed a whole week for Christmas.

Mtredith Lee, former student of S. H. S., visited us a while Monday morning, looking as happy as ever.

Misses Forde Bowman, Tylene Kendall, Barbara Beck, Virginia Freeman and Lena Matthews are home from college for a few days.

Christmas is coming! So is Home Coming and the big game with Diehlstadt, Thursday evening, December 22, and we hope to see all the former students of S. H. S. who are in town out at the gymnasium at 7:30. Don't forget it!

Misses Geneva Pate and Ruby Rogers visited in Charleston, Sunday.

Mesdames C. E. Felker, Harry Dover, and Harry Young were visitor to Cape Girardeau, Friday.

Miss Martha Dawson, a student of the University of Illinois, is the guest of Miss Lottie Dover and will be in Sikeston until Friday, when she will go to her home in Little Rock, Ark.

Miss Myra Tanner and Mrs. Harold Trowbridge entertained with a tea Sunday evening at the home of Miss Tanner. Mrs. Paul Anderson and Mrs. T. C. McClure poured. About twenty-five guests were invited. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Murray Phillips of New Madrid and Miss Martha Dawson of Little Rock, Ark.

American Legion

Membership for 1928 is slowly but steadily climbing toward the goal set for the year. Sixty-five members have been signed. At the next meeting on Wednesday night of this week, a committee headed by Art Sensenbaugh will report on a contest with suitable awards for the members who sign up the most members for the Post. It is considered that this committee will set the date on which the contest will commence and allow on credit for those members already signed.

As echoes of the Legion dinner last week, many vets have applied for their Adjusted Compensation. January first is the last date on which his bonus insurance may be applied for, and those that have not already acted are urged to see the Post Adjutant without further delay. Five blank applications were given a member of the Post who lives in Morehouse. He made a trip to Sikeston last Saturday night to secure them.

Green Lescher, who lives in California, wrote for his 1928 card last week and the letter arrived just too late to be read at the dinner. Other members of Henry Meldrum Post live in Caruthersville, Hayti, Matthews, Morehouse and Blodgett.

Remember the Post dances on December 22nd and 29th at the Armory. The same peppy orchestra, Roland Fenton's Paradise Garden Orchestra will produce the sweet sounds.

Attend the final meeting of the Post in 1927 at the Chamber of Commerce rooms on Wednesday night at 7:30.

Mrs. Louis Emory Baker left for Chicago Sunday, where she will join her husband, when he arrives from a six weeks trip to Europe. They expect to spend Christmas in Sikeston.

Reece Lillard is in Sikeston after an absence of six years. He will go to Arlington, Ky., the last of the week with his mother, who is visiting here. Miss Dorothy Lillard will also go to Arlington, where they will spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Horne entertained with a family dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer and children, Mrs. Robert Lillard, Reece Lillard, Miss Dorothy Lillard, Mrs. Henerietta Stumm of Bloomington, Ohio, G. B. Greer, Mrs. Annie Winchester and Miss Anita Winchester

LIVE STOCK

OATS MAKE GOOD FEED FOR SWINE

In a general way we all know that oats are a good feed for pigs, but they are not especially well adapted for fattening purposes. The question often arises, what are oats actually worth, pound for pound, as compared with corn. This matter has been tested by a number of our corn-belt experiment stations. One test, concluded by the Ohio station in January of this year, shows that when oats were fed with tankage and alfalfa meal to 48-pound pigs, they consumed 420 pounds oats, 12 pounds tankage and 14 pounds alfalfa meal per 100 pounds gain. Another lot of pigs of the same age and weight, fed in the same manner, consumed 830 pounds corn, 40 pounds tankage and 12 pounds alfalfa meal per 100 pounds gain. The oat lot gained 1.08 pounds per head per day and the corn lot 1.10, making the gains practically identical.

Comparing the oat consumption with that of the corn, one pound of corn was equal to about 1.25 pounds of oats. However, owing to the larger consumption of tankage by the corn lot in this case, the oats really showed a higher feeding value than is usually assigned to them. Roughly speaking within the ordinary limits of market prices, oats are worth a little less per bushel than half the price of a bushel of corn. Or, stating the same facts in different words, pound for pound, oats are worth about 25 per cent less as a hog feed than corn. This is due largely to the hulls which, of course, have no feeding value and, in fact, for hog-feeding purposes, are a detriment.

It should be noted in connection with the tests herein referred to that both lots of pigs were also fed minerals, alfalfa meal and tankage. In one feeding test with oats, in which alfalfa meal was not used, the results were very unsatisfactory. Alfalfa is a splendid feed in that it adds not only mineral matter and protein to the ration, but also vitamine D, the anti-rachitic vitamine. When the ration contains an abundance of vitamine D, the pig is able to assimilate a larger amount of mineral matter. In the absence of the needed amount of mineral matter or when a hog fails to assimilate the minerals in its ration, weak bones, due to the disease known as rickets, often develop.

Exercise Breeding Ewes to Have Thrifty Lambs

If breeding ewes can be made to walk at least one mile every day in getting a large part of their roughage, the chances for a crop of strong, thrifty lambs next spring are much better than if the ewes are allowed to loaf in the yard around the barn or shed.

It is a good practice to scatter the roughage in the fields or pastures each day during clear weather when the ground is frozen or dry, they say. In this way the ewes will have to take exercise in getting the roughage feeds. When it can be done, the flock should be shut away from the barnyard in the field or pasture during the day and made to rustle for its feed.

In so far as housing is concerned, warm barns, except during the lambing season if the lambs come in cold weather, are not desirable for breeding sheep. The wool protects the sheep from cold and all it needs is a shelter from cold, sharp winds and a dry place to sleep.

Live Stock Notes

Horses and mules that are doing hard work must have plenty of grain.

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Profitable pork production demands the use of good sanitary pasture.

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Close observations of sows and pigs have many times indicated that animals on self-feeders look better and are more thrifty than those that are hand fed.

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When poor corn and tankage are put before hogs in self-feeders they often eat not enough corn but too much tankage and self-feeding is unprofitable.

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The ordinary stockyards are almost continually infected with all sorts of contagious diseases. Animals should never be taken from the stockyards back to the farm.

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Experience has shown that pigs which have grazed on clover alfalfa or other summer and fall forage crops will incur the least risk of suffering from too much green corn.

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An open shed for stock is as necessary and important as any building on the farm.

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A horse which weighs 1,400 pounds should be given from 14 to 16 pounds of grain per day and about the same amount of hay.

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Lambs at weaning time can be turned into the corn field and they will eat the corn leaves and husks, do well, and be in good condition for the market before they have learned to eat corn from the cob.



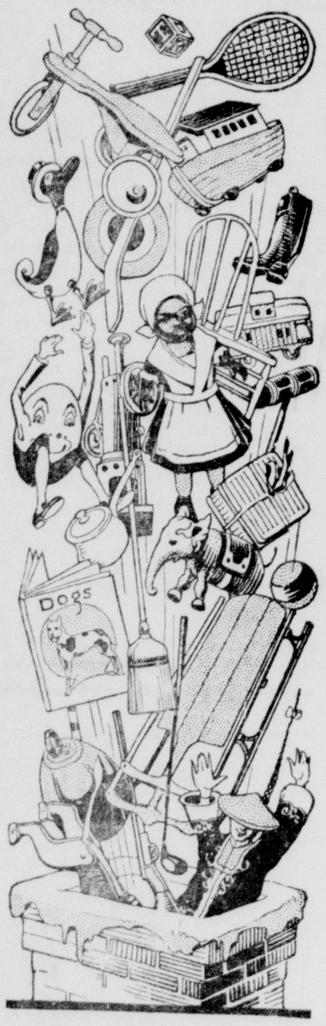
At this season of good wishes and good cheer, we desire to add our appreciation for your loyalty and co-operation which we recognize as most important factors in the growth of our business.

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OPPOSITE SHOE FACTORY

Mrs. E. P. Coleman is spending a few days in Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. J. W. Schroff spent the week-end in St. Louis with her sister, Mrs. Mollie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brenton and Mrs. M. M. Beck were Cape Girardeau visitors, Thursday.

Otis Brown went to Fulton, Ky., Sunday to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, who died in Texas.

Mrs. Alvin Taylor, Mrs. T. A. Wilson, Maxine Finley, Josephine Hudson, Elizabeth Taylor and Gail Taylor were visitors to Cairo, Saturday.

Miss Roberta Noble of St. Louis arrived in Sikeston Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles I. Noble. She will return to St. Louis Wednesday.

Mrs. Wade Sitzes and little granddaughter, who has been visiting here, left for St. Louis, where Mrs. Sitze will remain for the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Ellis.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson and daughter, Helen, and Mrs. W. R. Burks motored to Charleston Sunday afternoon, taking Sally Burks, who had been visiting her grandmother for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson and children will leave Christmas morning for Jacksonville, Ill., where Mrs. Anderson and children will visit for a few days. Mr. Anderson will return Wednesday.

"You say you would not vote for a measure to increase your salary?"

"That's what I say", answered Senator Sorghum. "Politics is a big game now. Any increase of salary that would be available would look merely like a white chip".—Washington Star.

Canaries have been men's—and especially women's—pets for several hundred years. They were household pets as early as 1400. Our American supply comes mainly from Germany and England, although, during the war, we imported a few from China. From 1905 to 1915, three and one-quarter million canaries were imported into the States.

Cassville—New business building being erected on South Main Street.

FOR RENT—A 5-room house, with lights, near town. Apply to Mrs. Jane Mills.

LOST, STRAYED.—One dark bay mule, 15½ hands high, 12 years old. Reward. Phone 918F41.—Theodore Hopper. 1tpd.

LOST—White gold ear bob, Sunday evening. Finder kindly leave same at The Standard office.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping at 625 Prosperity St. tf.

FOR RENT—Four furnished rooms for light housekeeping.—Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, 228 Trotter.

FOR RENT—6-room house with bath two blocks from business district.—See Sikeston Mercantile Co.

FO RRENT—6-room house, newly decorated, lights, bath and water. See A. C. Barrett at Bank of Sikeston. tf

FOR SALE—Ford touring, good condition, new tires and battery. Will swap for diamond.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.

FOR RENT—6-room apartment, newly papered, furnace, bath, electric lights, screened porch and garage. Phone 58 tf.

FOUND—On Saturday afternoon, a package containing some toy watches. Owner can get same by calling at The Standard office.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual stockholders' meeting of the Peoples Bank of Sikeston will be held at its banking house in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, on the 3rd day of January, 1928.

Said meeting will be convened at 9 o'clock a. m. and continued during at least three hours, unless the object for which such meting is called be accomplished sooner.

The purpose for which this meeting is called is to elect 7 directors for the said bank, to serve during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

F. M. SIKES, President.

Attest:
R. F. Anderson, Secretary.

Notice of Shareholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 15th annual shareholders' meeting of the Sikeston Building and Loan Association will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, on the 31st day of December, 1927.

Said meeting will be convened at 7 o'clock p. m. and continued during at least three hours, unless the object for which such meeting is called be accomplished sooner.

The purpose for which this meeting is called is to elect seven directors for the said Association, to serve during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

Attest:
W. P. WILKERSON, Secretary.
C. E. BRENTON, President.

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BOWMAN RESIDENCE DAMAGED BY FIRE

The handsome home of L. R. Bowman, facing Malone Park, was badly damaged by fire and water Sunday evening about 6:30.

The house was a frame with brick veneer outside and the fire gained headway between the wooden frame and the brick walls that made the fire an unusually hard one to fight. It was necessary to chop holes in the floor and walls in order to play the water on the blaze. The fire department was on duty several hours before the fire was completely out.

The wiring of the house branched out from a net work of wires and it is believed the fire started from some of the wires that the insulation had been destroyed.

A rough estimate of damage is around $6000 with damage to house covered by insurance.

This was one of the beautiful homes of Sikeston and the public are glad that the damage was no greater and hope to see repair work started at an early date.

BONDSMEN TO MEET BEFORE JANUARY COUNTY COURT

Last week James A. Finch, attorney for the bondsmen for the old Benton Bank, was here and agreed with the county court to get the bondsmen together before the January erm of the Scott County Court and get some kind of understanding about the money tied up because of the closing of the bank.

Last week's list of bondsmen, as printed in the Democrat was not complete. Here are the persons who signed the bond: W. H. Heisserer, Arthur Chrismon, Emil Steck, James McPheeters, J. F. Misfeldt, Anton Legrand, S. J. Wade, C. S. Tanner, Mrs. Florence Marshall and A. Baudendistel.—Benton Democrat.

Even in the old days a lot of fellows kissed the bride, but not so many before the ceremony.—Vallejo (Cal.) Chronicle.

The KITCHEN CABINET



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Flower in the crannied wall,
I pluck you out of the crannies;
I hold you here, root and all, in my hand,
Little flower—but if I could understand
What you are, root and all, and all in all,
I should know what God and man is.

—Tennyson.

THINGS YOU LIKE

A fresh fish chowder is one of the dishes which should be oftener upon our tables. When the fresh fish are not obtainable, the salt codfish is always available.



Fresh Fish Chowder. — Take two pounds of fresh fish, remove the bones and cut into small-sized pieces. Prepare half a dozen potatoes sliced, also three onions sliced; cover with boiling water and cook all together with the fish. When all are tender, add the fat and diced salt pork browned, a quart of milk and as many milk crackers as servings. Serve well seasoned with salt and pepper.

Sour Cream Pie.—To one-half cupful of sour cream add one-half cupful of sugar, the yolks of two eggs well beaten, one-half teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves, a pinch of salt, one-half cupful of raisins chopped fine. Line a pie tin with pastry, fill and cover. Bake in a hot oven long enough to bake the pastry, then lower the heat to bake the custard. If liked, the pie may be baked with one crust, and covered with meringue.

Scotch Short Bread. — Weigh two pounds of bread flour, one pound of butter and one and one-half pounds of sugar. Sift the flour and set the pan in the oven to warm, slightly stirring to heat all evenly. Cream the butter until it is waxy; add the sugar gradually, beating hard until the whole is well mixed. Squeeze and knead with the hands until the mixture is well blended—the better the mixing the better the bread. Lay the dough on a lightly-floured board and press the mixture into a sheet one-half inch in thickness. Do not use the rolling pin or add more flour. Heat a sharp knife and cut into squares or oblongs, place on a baking sheet, prick well with a fork and bake in a moderate oven until brown.

Nellie Maxwell

SUBMARINE AT BOTTOM OF OCEAN AFTER CRASH

Providence, Mass., December 17.—The fate of 43 officers and men, the crew of the U. S. S. submarine S-4, was in doubt tonight as the vessel lay on the ocean floor in deep water off this port, after a collision with the coast guard destroyer Paulding.

Whether the hull of the submarine was crushed and her crew all drowned, or whether the crash had merely disabled her machinery and made it impossible for her to come to the surface, still was unknown. Those who witnessed the collision feared, however, that a major marine disaster had resulted, comparable to the loss of the submarine S-51 in September, 1925. When that vessel was sunk in collision with the steamship City of Rome, off Block Island, 33 officers and men perished.

The destroyer, on patrol duty off Provicetown, was making for the harbor. Suddenly her lookout saw the S-4 running submerged dead ahead. There was no time to swerve from the course and the vessels crashed. The destroyer made port with her lower hold flooded. The Paulding was struck amidships, but the point at which the submarine felt the force of the blow was not known.

The S-4 went down immediately. Boats that crused about the place for hours found no survivors, giving the faint hope that the submarine's hull had not been pierced. A fresh breeze and rough seas hampered the work of the small boats taking part in the work of rescue.

The S-4 went down a bare 1800 yards from the shore off Wood End Coast Guard Station, which is situated on the outer or ocean side of the harbor. The water at that point is very deep, which, it was admitted, would increase the difficulties of raising the sunken vessel.

The Paulding's wireless message reporting the collision started a rescue fleet from the New London coast guard and submarine bases, and from the Boton and Portsmouth, N. H. navy yards. The submarine tender Dandank was the first to reach the position of the collision. The Wood End Coast Guard Station sent its lifeboats to search for possible survivors, but without result.

RECOVERS AFTER ROD PENETRATES HEAD

Hammond, Ind., December 17.—Paul Kosty, 36, who did not appear to have one chance in 1,000,000 to survive a peculiar accident, got the benefit of that one chance, and has gone home from a hospital fully recovered.

On June 26, Kosty, an employe of the La Salle Steel Company, was working at a machine when he lost control of a rod being run through the shaper. The rod was of steel, three-quarters of an inch in diameter and red hot. It pierced his jaw under the chin and emerged at his temple. Twenty-two feet of the rod passed through his jaw and face before the machinery could be stopped.

Surgeons say the red hot rod seared the tissues, thus preventing infection and fatal loss of blood and, fortunately, did not penetrate any nerve center affecting his brain, hearing or sight.

A. J. RENNER IS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF AGENTS

A. J. Renner was elected president of the County Agents Association of Missouri at the annual session held in Columbia last week. This election comes as a well deserved recognition of Mr. Renner's worth to the association. Max Keyer, agent in Cape Girardeau county, was elected on the board of directors.—Benton Democrat.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

E. L. Simpson to E. W. Kjer, part lot 3, all lots 4, 5, block 3 Doom addition Illmo, $1500.

Frank Compas to First State Bank of Fornfelt, lots 15, 16 block 3 Schuette addition Fornfelt, $1.

Joe Mackley to Mary Watson, 40 acres 8-27-15, $2400.

I. H. Capshaw to B. J. Grieshaber, lots 24, 25 block 36 Chaffee, $1628.

Barney Schuemer to Clement Breckmeyer, land 26-29-13, $3000.

C. H. Horstman to J. P. Lightner, part lots 9-12 block 7 Illmo, $1.—Benton Democrat.

Scientists who are searching for lost civilizations should visit some of our traffic centers.—Boroklyn Eagle.

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HERE IS THE HISTORY OF OUR STOCKINGS

With Christmas approaching and most everybody looking around for a stocking to hang up, the following history of stockings should be of special interest to Standard readers:

Historians record that the French were the first to make stockings of any kind. This attempt dates back to the seventh century. At that time stockings were made of cloth or leather, and were very crude. The Scotch produced the first knitted hose, towards the end of the fifteenth century; these were wool. Before that the stockings worn, by those who wore them at all, were made of linen, cloth or silk, according to the wearer's station in life. The very poor wore blanket cloth, while the rich chose velvet. But these were not stockings in the sense that we know them, and the word "stocking" itself came in with the knitted article.

But even in those days there were styles in leg-coverings, and gold embroideries were made on velvet hose, not to mention a style idea prevailing in the fifteenth century, of having the stocking consist of pieces of varied shapes cut and sewed together. Chaucer tells us that in his time England was gay indeed in her choice of hose. Red and white and blue and white were popular color combinations. Novelties were just as much in demand then as now, and very early "clocks" took their place as a form of decoration, as the most enduring of the designs devised.

So great was the admiration for the silk stockings that shortly after their introduction into France it was not unusual for a really opulent person to appear at important gatherings wearing several pairs. And one young beau is mentioned who fared forth wearing twelve pairs of stockings at one time.

The Scottish brand of stockings introduced in the fifteenth century were handmade, and as the women walked the fields or streets, they carried their work along and knitted as they went. Each woman could knit about two pairs of stockings a week, while the very fines ones—corresponding to our "chiffon" weights today—took six months to finish, and fetched 3 and 4 pounds sterling a pair. It was inevitable that the stocking frame and machine ultimately should supplant this quaint phase of the industry, and the first machine-knitted stockings were made in 1589 by the English inventor, William Lee. It is said that he presented the first pair to Queen Elizabeth and that she was delighted with the gift. With many changes and constant improvement, silk stockings from that day to this have been an important part of feminie costume.

LOCAL PLANT CARRIES SUNDAY ELECTRIC LOAD

The emergency plant of the Missouri Utilities Co. in Sikeston is carrying the load for Sikeston every Sunday in order to keep it in good order for any emergency. It is a smooth piece of machinery and is giving splendid satisfaction. It will not carry the shoe factory and the City of Sikeston at the same time, but can carry the business section and the factory at the same time.

While looking over this fine piece of machinery, a Standard representative called at the shop of Lon Swanner, water commissioner, and found everything in applie pie order.

This place is the pumping station for the city water. It will be worth the while of any citizen to visit both the light and pumping plant to see how well kept everything is. The grounds around the pumping station has long been one of the pretty spots of Sikeston.

Maybe some of these days, the unsightly building used as a laundry will be replaced by a modern building that will add much to the beauty of the grounds.



KITCHEN BULLETIN HEADS LIST OF HOUSEHOLD HELPS

More and more housewives are learning that kitchen work is not necessarily drudgery if the arrangement of the room and its equipment are well thought out. One of the evidences of this practical attitude is that the year's "best seller" from Uncle Sam's household bookshelf is Farmers' Bulletin 1513-F, "Convenient Kitchens", of which 363,717 free copies were distributed last year. Bulletins on household subjects are for the most part prepared, as was "Convenient Kitchens", by the Bureau of Home Economics.

Next in popularity among the home bulletins was information on canning. Some 318,386 copies of Farmers' Bulletin 1471-F, "Canning Fruits and Vegetables at Home", were sent out during the year. Perhaps the fact that 130,597 copies of Farmers' Bulletin 1313-F, "Good Proportions in the Diet", were called for, explains in part this interest in food preservation. People in general are more anxious than ever to learn how to feed their families properly. Also dealing with good nutrition are Farmers' Bulletin 717-F, "Food for Young Children", and Farmers' Bulletin 712-F, "School Lunches", of which 88,377 copies and 75,094 copies, respectively, were issued.

Two others among the most wanted bulletins reflect the desire to lessen drudgery and improve methods of work. Farmers' Bulletin 1497-F, "Methods and Equipment for Home Laundering", and Farmers' Bulletin 1180-F, "Housecleaning Made Easier", must also be ranked among the "six best sellers", for 11,600 copies of the first and 104,605 copies of the second went out. All in all, 2,129,946 free copies of 27 publications of interest in the home were distributed by the United States Department of Agriculture during the year. This is exclusive of sales through the Government Printing Office.

Carthage—New stone light posts being put in place on east side of square.

Elvns—Union Electric Light & Power Company cuts in new series of street lights here.

[illegible] strawberries from Plant City, Fla., arrived Thursday in St. Louis, and sold wholesale at $2.25 a quart. The shipment consisted of 128 quarts.

BECKY ROGERS GIVEN 14 YEARS IN PRISON

Lagrange, Texas, December 17.—Rejecting an insanity plea, a jury of men in district court here today convicted Mrs. Rebecca Bradley Rogers, 22-year-old former University of Texas co-ed, on a charge of robbing the Farmers' National Bank of Buda, Texas, and fixed the penalty at 14 years in prison.

The defendant received the verdict calmly, but to her husband, Otis Rogers, young attorney, whose dramatic appeal for either liberty or the electric chair for his wife moved spectators in the courtroom to tears yesterday, it proved a shock.

Agreement was reached by the jurors 12 hours after they had been sent to bed last night urged by District Attorney Fred Blundell to return a verdict "that will set a precedent in the southwest and warn women and girls".

Rogers had pleaded death for his young wife rather than a term in the penitentiary. He termed her "unbalanced", as did three alienists who testified for the defense.

Blundell had urged that the real defense presented was that "the defendant is a woman".

The death penalty would have been possible, as Mrs. Rogers was charged with having used a revolver when she held up two officials of the Buda bank last December and obtained $1000. Robbery with firearms is a capital offense in Texas, with a minimum penalty of five years in prison.

At the time of the robbery Mrs. Rogers was employed at Austin as a stenographer in the office of Attorney General Dan Moody, now governor. Her secret marriage to Rogers, while both were university students, was revealed after her arrest.

Recently she was tried on a charge of arson, but the jury disagreed after hearing an insanity plea. The day before the Buda robbery, Mrs. Rogers is alleged to have burned a house at Round Rock, Texas, in a scheme to rob the bank there.

Rogers, who is suffering from tuberculosis, was keenly affected by the verdict. He told the jury his wife had been working as a waitress recently to provide medical care for him. Mrs. Grace Bradley, mother of Rebecca, took the conviction calmly.

Mrs. Rogers gave not the slightest sign of concern, maintaining the same disinterested air that carried her through the two weeks of trial.

Until her motion for a new trial is acted upon, she must go to Fayette County jail, her attorneys said. No bond can be given until the motion is acted upon nad that may not be until Tuesday or Wednesday, they explained.

MISSOURI WINTER WHEAT REPORTED DOING WELL

Columbia, Mo., December 16.—Winter wheat was generally well rooted and in good shape for the cold months, says the monthly Missouri report of the United States Weather Bureau, made public here today.

Reviewing November weather conditions, the report stated last month was not markedly unfavorable for outdoor work, although most work was temporarily halted or otherwise interfered with by too much rain and excessive cloudiness. "Adverse effects were felt in the heavy clothing line of business", says the report, "as indicated by reduced sales during November".

The whole nation would profit if Big Bill Thompson ever got the idea that crooks and gunmen are British propaganda.—Arkansas Gazette.

"The law of supply and demand", says W. B. Greely, head of the Forestry Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, "is working steadily to create timber values which in large portions of the United States will pay fair returns on forestry as a business".

Radio telephoney has been adopted by whale fishermen. One of the vessels of the fleet has been equipped with a half-kilowatt set, and when a school of whales are sighted other ships are immediately informed by telephone, so that all can make for the best spot for hunting. Messages were sent as far as 2000 miles during the past season. With the use of the radio whalers now expect to invade seas which, on account of ice barriers and difficult outlets, were impossible with the ordinary magnetic compass because of its almost uselessness in the Antarctic regions, where whales are most plentiful.

HAUGEN TO PRESENT FARM BILL TODAY

Washington, December 18.—Increase of the revolving fund from $250,000,000 to $400,000,000 will be provided in the slightly revised farm relief bill which will be introduced in the House today by Representative Haugen (Rep.), Iowa, co-author of the McNary-Haugen bill and chairman of the Agriculture Committee.

Haugen said today that his bill also would include all basic agricultural commodities and will provide a $25,000,000 appropriation to establish terminal market facilities. Otherwise it will be essentially the same as the measure which was passed at the last session of Congress and vetoed by President Coolidge, he said, including the equalization fee, to which the administration objected.

He plans to take up the measure in the Agriculture Committee on January 10 and to limit hearings to five days.

"I feel confident that the bill again will pass the House", he said.

Haugen denied there was any "politics" in his advocacy of the bill, in commenting on recent charges that the measure is being used in preparing the way for a move for nomination of former Gov. Lowden of Illinois as Republican presidential candidate.

"I am not concerned with politics, but with relief for the farmer", he said.

The McNary-Haugen bill of last session specified certain basic commodities. The measure Haugen will introduce today specifies none, but leaves application of the machinery of the bill to commodities to the discretion of the Federal Farm Board, which is provided to operate it.

The measure provides for repayment of the $25,000,000 funds for terminal facilities by the co-operatives in yearly installments.

Even in Bible times it was customary to anoint the head with oil, but not by crawling under the car.—Wichita Falls Record-News.

The KITCHEN CABINET



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The free use of soups and fresh vegetables is wise for those persons who have a tendency to overindulgence in eating.

SOUPS, FAVORITE DISHES

There are two kinds of soup—stimulating and nourishing. The nutritive soups are cream of potato, or meat broth with vegetables. The stimulating soups are prepared from meat extracts and are of the clear soup variety. The nourishing soup, such as cream of celery, asparagus or potato, with bread and butter will provide a sustaining meal. Bouillon is simply a stimulating soup, but it is valuable as a beginning to a meal as it warms the stomach and prepares it for the food which follows.



Beef Broth.—Cut two pounds of lean beef into small dice, break the bones, using a pound or two and put them with the meat into a saucepan; cover with two quarts of cold water and when boiling add one carrot, one turnip, one onion, all diced, and a bunch of herbs. Simmer for three hours, add two tablespoonfuls of cooked rice and serve hot with croutons.

Mushrooms With Scrambled Eggs.—Break into small pieces a pint of fresh mushrooms, sprinkle with salt and let stand one half hour. Into a saucepan put two tablespoonfuls of butter, add the mushrooms and liquor and cook at the simmering point for ten minutes. Season with pepper and salt, then add the yolks of five eggs slightly beaten, mix well and fold in the stiffly beaten whites. Serve on hot buttered toast.

Fruit Punch.—Take one grated fresh pineapple and cook for fifteen minutes with one quart of water, strain and cool. Boil four cupfuls of sugar with two cupfuls of water five minutes, let cool and add this sirup to the pineapple water. Now add the juice of six lemons, ten oranges, two grapefruit, one quart of grape juice and one quart of strawberries cut into halves, two bananas sliced, one cucumber unpeeled but sliced, four quarts of water, two sprigs of mint, and one cupful of fresh tea infusion. Cover closely and chill two hours. Serve well iced.

Nellie Maxwell

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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The report has been current for some time that a shortage existed in the city finances, but to date no arrest have been made, hence no names are printed. Something like $1600 has been hypothecated by some one connected with the city administration and the public would like to know what is being done about it, or what is going to be done about it. The grand jury will convene again December 27 and we are told will probably pass on the case.

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The little girl from down the country says the trial marriage suggestion would not have caused surprise if it had come from an old maid, instead of from a married man.—Commercial Appeal.

Cities of the size of Sikeston are limited to pay but $1100 salary to members of the commission under the commission form of government. The next, and most important thing will be, to get the right type of men to serve for such a small salary. It is true that the commission could organize so that each member could attend to such duies as would be assigned them, and act but a couple of hours each day and that at stated hours. It will take a lot of propaganda to inform the public about this change of city government.

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There was a big 'gin" fire at Sikeston, Mo., Sunday night, but it was a "cotton gin" and bootleggers did not disturb or attempt to save the contents. Charlie Blanton, the dry editor of The Sikeston Standard, was so "dry" during the fire that he "spit cotton'.—Missouri Democrat.

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Another of the Judas Iscariots in the State Senate who betrayed the Democracy in the last session of the legislature has received his reward. His brother has been appointed a member of the State Highway Commission to succeed Hugh Stephens, who refused to follow the behest of Governor Baker and make a political machine of the Commission.—Ironton Register.

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Galena—New bridge across James River here formally dedicated.

We believe it is safe to say that a large majority of the business men and citizens of Sikeston prefer to have Highway 61 pass directly thru Sikeston, instead of skirting the city to the east, then take up the edge of the ridge at the back door of the farms to Benton. It is a straight away shoot north from New Madrid to Morley a distance of approximately 36 miles with but one farm to cut through and that just this side of Klug's Hill. From the west edge of Morley the road could be made a straight line to Benton and we believe the distance would be no greater than the last survey. Then Scott County could have all the refund thru the county, north and south, to build a spur from Morley to Oran to Chaffee to connect with 25 for Jackson and points north. Sikeston has been the main stopping place for tourists and if the road goes around our city, the hotels, restaurants, garages and oil stations will suffer severely, to say nothing of the merchants and picture show. We are but expressing our own opinion after hearing much discussion on the subject.

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While improvement in minor details characterizes the winter program of C. D. Monteith, Chief of Parks and Game Refuges at all State Parks, there are two items in which sportsmen will particularly be interested. These plans are not tentative, but are already in process of fulfillment.

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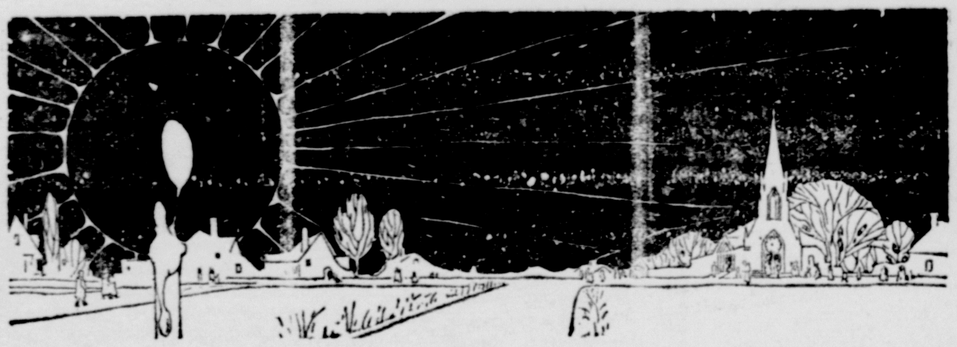
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DAY AND NIGHT

A 5-acre turkey pen has been constructed at Franklin County State Park and Game Refuge, and during the month of November, the inmates of the deer pen were augmented by the addition of one buck. Of special interest at Sam A. Baker State Park and Game Refuge is Mr. Monteith's report that work on the 40-acre deer pen has been started and that during December this will be completed and a 5-acre turkey pen constructed. These details mean that game propagation at there two refuges will be in full operation by spring, and coupled with the program settled upon for stocking auxiliary game refuges as fast as these tracts are leased, the department of State under Keith McCanse, State Game and Fish Commissioner, has an unusually comprehensive year's work ahead of it.

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The big boys in the Republican party are being overly polite, it seems. No one appears to want to stand in the way of the ambitions of another. The younger ones are showing a chivalrous spirit in offering the elder ones first chance.

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John J. Kennon, for eight years county clerk of Ripley County, has been appointed postmaster at Doniphan by President Coolidge. Kennon's selection will go to the Senate for confirmation. He will succeed E. C. White, who has been postmaster for three years and who is editor of the Doniphan Republican.

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Can anyone hunt and kill game in the national forests? This question is frequently asked Department of Agriculture officials. Hunting and fishing in all national forests, says the Forest Service, are governed by the game laws of the State in which the national forest is located. Most forest officers are deputy State game wardens and it is their duty to enforce the State game laws at all times. In some of the national forests, however, national game refuges have been set aside for the preservation of wild life. In these refuges hunting and fishing are not allowed, except under special circumstances and with the approval of the authorities in charge.

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Many Americans fancy the bison is almost extinct. Due to the activities of he American Bison Society of New York, beginning in 1906, these animals were saved from extinction thru the establishment and devleopment of several Government preserves, says the United States Department of Agriculture. These are in the Wichita National Forest in Oklahoma, the National Bison Range in Montana, the Yellowstone National Park, and a number of smaller herds in other parts of the country. Including Canadian herds, there are today on this continent about 20,000 purebred buffalo, of which abou 8000 are in the United States. The buffalo will not pass out of the picture.

This Week's Weather Outlook

Chicago, December 17.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys and the Northern and Central Great Plains: Mostly fair at beginning of week, probably followed by precipitation by middle or close of week; rising temperature Monday and Tuesday, colder toward close.

NEWS 200 YEARS AGO

In connection with the 200th anniversary of the Maryland Gazette which was celebrated at Annapolis a few weeks ago, some early copies of that newspaper were exhibited.

The news and advertisements of that day were naturally quite different from what is found in current newspapers, as they reflected the customs and beliefs of their time.

One of the stories from Vienna told of the burning of several persons convicted of witchcraft, among them "a midwife who had baptized 2000 children in the name of the devil". A local item related the experience of a negro slave who struck a white man in an argument over a dog fight. The negro was sentenced to have one of his ears cut off "pursuant to the law in such cases".

Among the advertisements was one announcing the arrival of a cargo of "about 200 choice slaves, which will be exposed for sale on Thursday the 22d of this instant".

In its issue of October 21, 1762, the Maryland Gazette published the news of the birth of a son to the British king and queen, which had occurred on August 12. The story bore the headlines: "Great Joy to the Nation! A Prince of Wales is Born. God Save the King". This was the dissolute and notorious character who afterwards became George IV.

The Maryland Gazette was frequently suspended for varying periods, but is still published and is credited by the Librarian of Congress with being "the dean of present-day American newspapers".

The Protection or Enforcement Division of the Game and Fish Department, in charge of Frank De Cou, Chief of Wardens, points to an unusually gratifying record in the matter of warden activity for the month of November, during which month the game wardens made 476 arrests for violation of the game and fish laws. Keith McCanse, Commissioner, in making this report public places special emphasis upon the fact that 439 convictions were obtained. Of the remaining cases 28 are still pending. Leaving but nine acquittals, this in his judgment, demonstrates that care and good judgment are being exercised in making arrests. The total fines and costs collected in these cases reached the tidy sum of $6,420.75, proving that violation of the game and fish laws in Missouri is a rather expensive pastime.

AL SMITH SUPPORT GAINING IN ILLINOIS

Carbondale, Ill., December 16.—Sentiment in this section is rapidly crystallizing for Gove. Alfred E. Smith as the Democratic nominee for President, according to Democratic politicians.

Smith has been gaining strength recently, they declared, following his open declaration as to his position on prohibition.

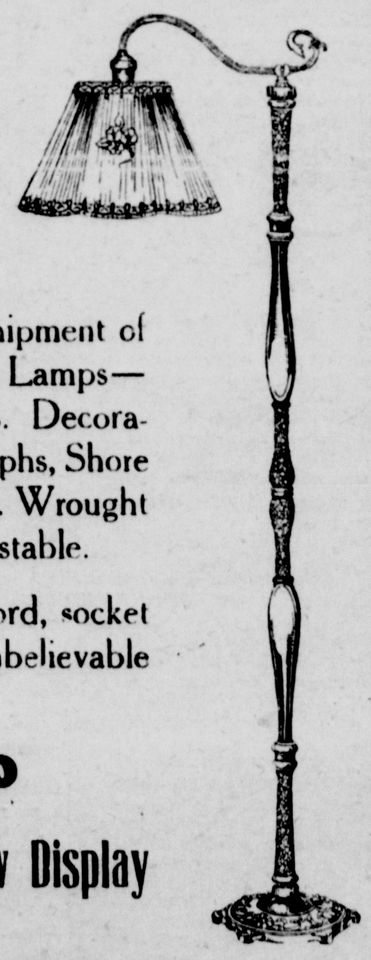
Mayor Joplin of Murphysboro, chairman of the County Central Committee, expressed the belief that Smith would get the entire Illinois delegation at the convention, under the leadership of George Brennan, Chicago Democratic chieftain. Reed Green of Cairo, prominent Democrat, is understood to be in favor of Smith.

Other Democrats in this county who view Smith as the "man with the best chance to win the party", include Bert E. Hill, former Mayor of Carbondale, and C. E. White, former Sheriff.

"Buy hunting and fishing license early", is the suggestion made by the State Game and Fish Commissioner. The 1928 licenses are now being shipped every County Clerk in the State and there is always a big rush around January 1st which causes delays that can be avoided by buying your license immediately after the 15th. Some sportsmen have a standing order with their County Clerk for license No. 1 every year. A State wide hunting and fishing license good anywhere in the State, only costs $2.50 and this form is fasts upplanting the County License.

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HAWES TO OPPOSE FLOOD RELIEF PLAN

Washington, December 15.—Unless the Mississippi River flood control program, as recommended to Congress by Dwight F. Davis, Secretary of War, and Major-General Edgar Jadwin, chief of army engineers, is radically amended, Senator Harry B. Hawes of Missouri will oppose it and vote against it.

Hawes announced his opposition to the administration plan in a formal statement today, in which he pointed out that two Souheast Missouri counties—Mississippi and New Madrid—would be partly destroyed if no changes were made in the engineers' recommendations.

"Devastation for Southeast Missouri—and nothing for the rest of the State—is all that is proposed for Missouri in the report of the army engineers", Hawes asserted.

The text of his statement follows:

Study of the Davis-Jadwin flood control report reveals an attempt on the part of the army engineers to secure more power and to lessen civilization's praticipation in the flood control program, and to handle a serious national situation without presenting the river problem in its entirety.

"Immediately following the flood disaster, we were told to wait, to remain silent. But fortunately, Missouri, through its newspapers, its civic organizations and its Representatives did not remain silent. In the light of the Davis-Jadwin report, our course in submitting the Missouri plan as a basis for discussion has been justified.

"I do not know a Senator in the valley states affected by the flood, who is not now openly opposing the Davis-Jadwin report, and I am informed the same situation prevails in the House.

"No representative from Missouri, who has studied the report, who understands it and who has proper consideration for Missouri, can possibly vote for it.

"The report, in my opinion, will be rejected by the Senate and there are prospects of its defeat in the House.

"Personally, I shall oppose it and, unless it is radically amended, will vote against it.

"The entire Mississippi Valley had been deprived; it had hoped for an entirely different recommendation.

"But of all the states in the valley, Missouri receives the poorest and most inconsiderate treatment.

"For years, through various civic organizations, financed by patriotic citizens, we have worked for the river and a comprehensive plan looking to the improvement of navigation and flood control.

"Now in the wake of a great disaster,we secure nothing for the Missouri River or the upper Mississippi stretch, and the partial destruction of at least two Southeast Missouri counties, Mississippi and New Madrid counties, is recommended.

"The report proposes to create a floodway in Mississippi and New Madrid counties by constructing levees five miles back from the present levees on Missouri side, from a point nearly opposite Cairo to a point near New Madrid.

"The present levees are to be lowered five feet. The effect of this, according to the report, will be to lower the flood plane at Cairo only one and one-half feet, based upon the 1927 flood. At the same time, the report requires 160,000 acres of Missouri land for a floodway, 60 per cent of which land is in cultivation and over 90,000 acres of which is held by land owners holding less than 500 acres each.

"All of this land is now in levee districts and drainage districts, with an approximate bonded indebtedness of $2,000,000 for levees and drainage. The total indebtedness against the land, including loans secured by mortgages, is approximately $5,000,000.

"But the proposal would recquire these local districts to pay 20 per cent of the cost of construction of new levees in addition to furnishing the right-of-way and paying such damages as result from the work. They must also pay all the expense of cutting down the old levees five feet.

"The Davis-Jadwin plan destroys the drainage outlets of 11 drainage districts, draining all the territory east of New Madrid and Sikeston, and will require new diversions and new construction. It wrecks the drainage system of this territory. The cost of the work required to correct this has been esimated by engineers to be $1,500,000.

"If this plan is adopted, no building or other structure can be erected within the floodway area without the consent and recommendation of the chief of engineers and the approval of the Secretary of War.

"Summarizing, the Davis-Jadwin plan would add 160,000 acres to the flooded area in Missouri, and the estimated costs to local districts affected will be $910,000 for levee rights-of-way; $3,200,000 contribution for levee construction; $1,500,000 for drainage diversion; a total of $5,610,000.

"This does not include cost of cutting down 55 miles of present levee. With this included, the cost will far exceed the assessed valuation of the territory proposed to be thrown into a floodway, while the damage to the land will depreciate its present value at least 40 per cent.

"Such a plan means not only damage to the individual owners of the land.

"The Davis-Jadwin plan proposes a greater hardship than has resulted from any flood.

"The land which it is proposed to put into a floodway is not unreclaimed land, but is rich, alluvial soil, some of the best in Missouri. It produces not only the wheat, corn and hay of the North, but the cotton and alfalfa of the South.

"Of all the points on the river from its source to its mouth, less consideration was given to, less protection offered for and greater cost is placed upon these two counties than in the case of any other similar section involved.

"The citizens of that section have cause for indignation. I hope they will form an organized protest. Back of this section of our State, I feel certain we will find the sympathetic support of he entire State and its large cities.

"I hope the voice of protest will be heard and that the State will not permit the Davis-Jadwin report to be adoped; if it can prevent it.

"I am sure the other counties in the State will come to the support of Southeast Missouri and prevent the rape of this rich alluvial territory.

"Devastation for Southeast Missouri—and nothing for the rest of the State—is all that is proposed for Missouri in the report of the army engineers".

Waves of prosperity, to the spendthrift, are generally breakers.—Detroit News.

Will 1928 nomination go to a dark and not a draft horse?—Wall Street Journal.

What the world needs most is a Limitation of Ambition Conference.—Bellingham Herald and Reveille.

The old-fashioned girls who used to go in for frills are now coming out strongly for thrills.—Arkansas Gazette.

"Doughboys" is an excellent name, except that they weren't boys and weren't the ones that got he dough.—Austin American.

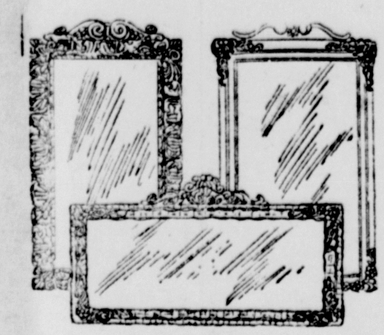
The trouble with the coal industry is that it has too many hands for its pockets.—Wall Street Journal.

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SAYS FEEDING ALONE WON'T INCREASE EGG PRODUCTION

Urbana, Ill., December 16.—It is about as unreasonable to expect some hens to lay 150 to 200 eggs a year under the pressure of good feeding as it is to expect a mule to win a derby under the stimulus of more oats, says H. H. Alp, poultry extension specialist of the Illinois College of Agriculture. Good feeding is essential, but it must be combined with good breeding, he pointed out.

The summary on the 264 flocks were enrolled in the 1926 State poultry record project contains examples of flocks that were handicapped by lack of good breeding, in contrast to a flock that shows the effects of definite breeding work, he says.

The two flocks that were handicapped contained 83 and 97 hens each. The average egg production for each hen was 82 eggs a hen in the first flock, and 77 eggs a hen in the second flock. In the first flock 64.2 per cent of the hens were culled and in the second 69.7 per cent. Mortality in the first flock totaled 3.3 per cent and in the second 6.3 per cent. The feed cost was $1.62 a hen and $2 a hen, respectively, for the two flocks, while the respective returns were a profit of only 73 cents a hen and a loss of 30 cents a hen.

"In contrast to this, the flock that showed the effects of some definite breeding work contained 169 hens that averaged better than 140 eggs each during the year. More than 60 per cent of the hens were culled, while the mortality amounted to 5 per cent. The feed cost was $2.07 a hen and the profit $2.48 a hen".

"Smith Declines 276 Invitations". Waiting for the real big one?—New York Evening Post.

Controlling argument for Federal inheritance tax is that dead men can't vote.—Wall Street Journal.

Volcanoes, earthquakes, tidal waves, and tornadoes have a small effect in comparison to soil erosion. There are 125 billion pounds of plant food washed off farm lands and pastures in the United States every year. That means at least 200 million dollars washed out of the pockets of the farmers.

Meat makes the best food for cats. Cats are natural meat eaters. Beef, mutton and rabbit meat are good. Kittens like chicken and duck heads A little milk is all right, but a small quantity of cream is much better than a lot of milk. Too much milk is bad for cats—it causes diarrhea. Large quantities of vegetables aren't good for them, either, although a little spinach is healthful if the cats will eat it.

Velvet Handbag Vogue



What's the latest in handbags? Velvet if you please. So if you are contemplating making somebody happy at Christmastide with the gift of a purse or handbag, let it be of velvet by all means. The types in this picture are the "last word" from Paris. Women are also making handsome velvet bags, sewing them into metal frames sold for this purpose.

MISSOURI AND ARKANSAS IN NEW PROHIBITION ZONE

Washington, December 16.—A new alignment of prohibition districts announced today by Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Lowman included the creation of a new district of Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma, with headquarters at Topeka.

Indiana and Ohio were combined in one district, with headquarters at Columbus, while South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin were grouped as another, with headquarters at St. Paul.

Under the plan, Arkansas and Missouri comprise a district, with headquarters at St. Louis Iowa and Illinois were combined, with headquarters at Chicago, and the northern judicial district of Florida was transferred to the district including Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama with headquarters at New Orleans.

The only changes in administrators was that for the district including Iowa and Illinois, Glenn E. Brunson, who had been an administrator, was made a deputy for Iowa, with special authority to conduct the affairs of the State virtually as an independent unit.

The changes will become effective February 1.

AMERICA SPENDS A BILLION FOR XMAS

More than a billion dollars will be spent by Americans on Christmas cheer and Christmas charities, John T. Flynn estimates in an article in Collier's Weekly, covering a survey of Christmas expenditures for the nation. The round sum he arrives at, after careful research and inquiry is $1,422,800,000, divided among these items:

Christmas trees, $100,000,000; jewelry, $165,000,000; turkeys and other poultry, $120,000,000; hosiery, $130,000,00; toys, $300,000,000; neckties $100,000,000; employes' gifts and bonuses, $250,000,000; Santa Claus whiskers, $300,000; plum puddings $7,500,000; Christmas charities, $250,000,000.

"Take, for instance, the simple item of whiskers for Santa Claus. Of course, Santa's whiskers don't grow on his ruddy cheeks. They have got to be made, and the single job of making enough of them keeps several factories employed the year round. I have not been able to get exact statistics on the whisker crop, but it runs to some $300,000 every year".

It is likewise disclosed that now 90 per cent of the toys bought in America are made in America.

The crude par of Teapot Dome is not all under ground.—Detroit News

The use of poisoned bands around the limbs and trunks of apple trees in orchards for the destruction of codling moth larvae has proved successful, according to the annual report of the Bureau of Entomology. It has been found possible to treat these bands with certain chemicals which kill the larvae after they have spur up. Among the most effective of these are certain naphthalene derivatives, as alpha and beta naphthylamine. It is believed that by the proper use of these automatic band traps the codling-moth population in orchards can be very greatly reduced, thus modifying the necessity for spraying, which often involves objectionable residues on the fruit at harvesting.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION REJECTED

Charleston and Sikeston will not be included in the membership of the proposed Southeast Missouri High School Athletic Association, which it is planned to organize in January. This statement was made to the Enterprise-Courier yesterday by Coach John H. Marshall, who said that next year's football schedule had already been tentively arranged and hence it would be impossible for Charleston to be a member of the association, which proposes to arrange all interschool contests. A recent conference on the proposed association was held between A. D. Simpson, city school superintendent here, and Supt. Roy V. Ellise, of Sikeston, at which it was decided that both schools would remain out of the proposed organization at least for next year.

The proposed association, which has been approved by the board of education of Poplar Bluff, is to include only the larger schools of this section, and football schedules are to be so arranged that questions of championship and necessity of post-season games will be eliminated. The association also proposes that all interschool contests be played on Saturday, so that school work will not be suspended on Friday afternoons during the football season.—Charleston Enterprise-Courier.

HOUSE APPROVES TAX REDUCTION OF $289,770,000

Washington, December 15.—Calling for an estimated tax cut of $289,770,000, the revenue bill was passed early tonight by the House and sent to the Senate.

The vote was 366 to 24.

As approved the bill carried three important amendments, attached to the measure by a Democratic-Republican coalition.

One provides for complete repeal of the sales tax on automobiles, instead of a reduction of the present rate of 3 per cent to 1½ per cent, as recommended by the Ways and Means Committee.

The other, accord additional relief to corporations with small incomes, and require corporations and subsidiaries to file separate instead of affiliated tax returns.

After the Democrats with the aid of a bloc of Republican votes on roll calls had kept the amendments in the bill, a move was made by Republican organization leaders to send the bill back to committee but a motion to this end was defeated 301 to 93.

Many of the Treasury recommendations were scrapped in the bill, and the amount of tax reduction it proposes is estimated to be about $65,000,00 in excess of the total deemed advisable by Secretary Mellon.

In telling her age a woman is often shy—in more ways than one.—Wall Street Journal.

A coat should be frequently brushed. If wet it should be dried slowly away from the fire.

Vestees and neckwear of white georgette, crepe de chine or wash satins can be satisfactorily laundered, but in the elaborate types dry cleaning may give better results because this method does not require special ironing. Lace neckwear can be nicely cleaned by rubbing powdered starch into it, and after several hours brushing it and shaking it out.



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We have been trying to find out just why Frank Brannock of the Bloomfield Vindicator is so pisen because Highway 61 was located down the ridge. Bloomfield is away off of either location and we haven't heard of Frank having many sections of land in the lower section of the West Route, so it must be a connection by marriage, or a connection by financial arrangements that has caused him to fuss up so. Be calm, Frank, you have done all Al Harty could ask you to do, that is lambast the Commission.

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The politician who used to blow hot and cold now blows wet and dry. —Arkansas Gazette.

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Our Mr. Ralph Bailey made some pleasing remarks before a gathering of good fellows at Cairo a few nights ago and incidentally said he hoped the Illinois officials would build a hard road to the Illinois end of the Cape Girardeau bridge. That was all right for him to talk that way, but the live business interests of Cairo will use heir political rabbit foot to keep the Illinois trade from being shunted to a Missouri city. Cairo should insist that Illinois hurry and finish the concrete road north to Anna. These few pleasant words about the Cape won't hurt a thing coming from a prospectivec andidate for Congress.

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"Let Us Clean Your Britches" is a sign in a local window. We have an idea Old Santa will clean them just as thorough as if they went through half a dozen cleaning shops.

EXCITING YEAR PROMISED

The year 1928 promises to be even more exciting than 1927 with its floods and transoceanic flights. Politics, the great American game, will make it so.

With congress in session and the presidential campaign on the program,th ere will be no dearth of conversational subject matter in 1928.

The chief topic for discussion now is the chances of the numerous prospective candidates for the presidency. Never before has the Republican party had a more formidable array of prospective candidates, and it is doubtful if the Democratic party ever had fewer outstanding men. But this shortage of material may help the Democrats. Only one man is needed, and if there are fewer men to be considered for the nomination a shorter and more business-like convention may be expected. Avoiding a protracted convention like the one held in 1924 will undoubtedly stand the party in good stead.

Indications are that prohibition will be a prominent issue for the first time in more than a decade. It seems that an old time presidential campaign with all the fixings may be expected.

But as for issues, there is no telling what congress will bring out. Tax reduction, flood control and the Boulder Dam bill may play big parts in the campaign.

Anyway, the politicians are likely to have a full bag of tricks to entertain the voters with.

The Sikeston Ridge and Highway 61 south to the Arkansas border, owe nothing to Cape Girardeau, and should use the ballot to get another bond issue to finish the highway program and for the refund. Then use all the influence they have to have the refund of Scott County used for a cut off from Morley to Oran, to Chaffee to Jackson to join 61 to St. Louis. This cut-off would save from 15 to 20 miles for through traffic to St. Louis, which would mean right much of a saving in time and expense. This looks good to us.

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NINETEEN YEARS AGO

(From the files of Sikeston Hornet)

Miss Carrie Mitchell left the first of the week for a two weeks' visit in St. Louis, with friends.

Ranney Applegate is assisting R. F. Anderson in the Citizens Bank during the absence of Cashier Lynn Stallcup.

C. D. Matthews, Jr., wife and little daughter and W. H. Sikes attended the Matthews-Bergman wedding at Cape Girardeau, Wednesday.

Matthews-Bergman

E. C. Matthews and Miss Nell Bergman were married at the residence of the bride's parents, in Cape Girardeau Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. The Rev. A. Wilder officiating. The affair was quite informal, only relatives of the contracting parties being present. After the ceremony, they left on a wedding tour to Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Seattle and Yellowstone Park. They will return to the city about September 5. The groom is the second son of Charles D. Matthews, Sr., and is a young man of rare business ability and his future success in life is assured. His bride is a most pleasant young lady of Cape Girardeau, the daughter of a wealthy and prominent merchant there and is well and favorably known in Sikeston, having taught school here.

Stallcup-Lawrence

In the parlors of the Commercial Hotel, Wednesday morning at 8:30, the Rev. E. M. Richmond of St. Louis pronounced the words that joined in wedlock L. M. Stallcup and Miss Frances Lawrence. Only relatives of the contracting parties were present. Immediately after the ceremony, the young and happy couple departed on the 8:45 Iron Mountain train for an extended visit to the North and West. The groom is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Stallcup and is cashier of the Citizens Bank. He is a model young business man with lots of push and vim and is sure to succeed in life. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lawrence and in addition to being a charming young lady, possesses a sweet disposition and all justifications that go to make a model wife.

Manager P. Kendall says the opera house season will be opened the last night of the horse show by "Thorn In Her Heart Co".

C. A. Cook has taken charge of the Commercial Hotel. Mr. Cook is an experienced man in the hotel business and it goes without saying that patrons of his place will get all there is going. He is an old resident of Sikeston and has many friends who welcome his return.

Chas. Yanson is spending the week in Chicago.

W. H. Barnes and wife left the first of the week for their annual vacation to Chicago and other Eastern cities.

Contractor J. A. Beggs came down from the Cape the first of the week and began work on E. C. Matthews' new residence. The new strucutre is to be a handsome home of brick and will cost complete about $15,000.

Giles Dover, eldest son of Station Agent J. E. Dover, and Miss Lena Thorgmorton, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Thorgmorton, were married at the Methodist church at 4:30 Monday afternoon. The bride's father officiated. They departed on the evening passenger for a short tour, after which they will go to Riverside, where Giles has a position with the Iron Mountain. The Hornet joins their many friends in extending congratulations.

C. A. Cook, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, has leased the Slack house and Mrs. Slack will move to St. Louis, where she will reside in the future. Mr. Cook will use the Slack house for sleeping accommodations. This leaves Sikeston with but one first class hotel. However, it places Mr. Cook in a position to give his patrons better service for the same money.

Mrs. Mollie Milem and little children are the guests of friends and relatives this week.

Among the ailments that are conveyed from dogs to man we note the inclusion of insomnia. Some people get it from the dog next door.—Punch.

Banana "figs" are a form of food not generally familiar to American housewives, but are recommended as a desirable and nourishing food. These "figs" are really dried bananas. Firm ripe fruit is peeled and split lengthwise and dried either in the sun or by artificial heat. The drying process brings out some of the banana juice which covers the banana with a white sugar powder. In food value banana "figs" are said to compare favorably with other dried fruits. The agricultural experiment station in Hawaii has been experimenting with the drying of bananas because banana shipping facilities from Hawaii are not so fully developed as from the "banana coast" of Central America.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Washington, D. C., December 11.—There has been a great deal of criticism of many of the recommendations of President Coolidge in his annual message to Congress. Particularly are farm leaders dissatisfied with his annual message to Congress. Particularly are farm leaders dissatisfied with his failure to offer a constructive suggestion for the relief of agriculture. His position with reference to flood control in the Mississippi basin is also under fire, because of his insistence that the people in the flooded area, help to pay the cost of flood control, although the water which causes the damage flows into the Mississippi from nearly half continental United States and although thousands of the flood sufferers are bankrupt, many of them even unable to pay taxes, much less contribute to the enormous cost of flood control.

In that part of his message dealing with taxation, the President insisted upon the adoption of the tax plan proposed by Mr. Mellon, although that plan has already been repudiated by Republicans as well as Democratic Members of the House Ways and Means Committee and is also strongly opposed by the United States Chamber of Commerce, speaking for a large part of the business interests of the country, which is urging the Democratic program of a reduction of approximately $400,000,000.

It is in what the President had to say about agriculture and the tariff that he greatly disappointed the farming interests. He showed himself still opposed to any of the suggestions for farm relief which the farm organizations have put forward, and again put himself on record as against any revision of the tariff whatever, although such revision has been urged by the farm organizations and is recommended by the "business men's commission" sponsored by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Industrial Conference, which urged tariff revision as one of the most effective methods of improving the condition of agriculture. The Chairman of the committee making this recommendation was Charles Nagel, Republican, Secretary of Commerce and Labor, in the Cabinet of President Taft. Not only Democrats, but many Republicans voiced criticism of these parts of the President's message, and he was accused of telling half-truths. For instance, discussing the tariff and agriculture, he said that "everything the farmer uses in farming is already on the free list". While it is true that many agricultural implements are on the free list, everything that enters into their manufacture pays a heavy duty, which is reflected in the finished product and this has added millions of dollars annually to the cost of these implements to the farmers. The President also said that "nearly everything he (the farmer) sells is protected. "It is true that while there are tariff duties on many farm products, they are on commodities which America exports and which are sold in world markets at world prices and therefore are not affected a particle by a duty on such imports into America.

One of the Republicans to criticize the message was Senator of Oregon, co-author of the McNary-Haugen farm bill, who said the President held out no sympathy for agriculture whatever. Senator McNary made it clear the fight for farm legislation would be pressed with a "good chance" to pass the bill over the President's veto.

Mississippi Valley Members of the Senate and House were especially critical of that portion of the President's message relating to flood control. Senator Caraway of Arkansas, went so far as to say that Mr. Coolidge appeared to be a "sectional President" who is willing to aid the flood sufferers of New England, but not disposed to help those in the Mississippi Valley.

Washington, December 11.—The budget estimate of expenditures by the government for the next fiscal year, sent to Congress by President Coolidge at the opening of its session, is a most complete answer to the claims of economy for the Coolidge administration made by the President and other Republican leaders. The budget the President recommended for the next fiscal year, for which this Congress will appropriate, calls for appropriations of $4,238,793,765.53. This is an increase of $305,311,765.06 over the appropriations for the current fiscal year. Without one exception, the ordinary expenses of the Government, in every department, exclusive of interest on the war debt, have increased every year since Mr. Coolidge became President. For example, expenditures during the fiscal year 1927, ending last June 30, were $4,176,706,508.06, while the official estimates of government expenses for the current year, for which appropriations have already been made and which ends next June 30, are $4,331,814,285, an increase of approximately $155,000,000, while the President's new budget asks increased appropriations for the year beginning July 1, next, of more than $300,000,000. These figures completely refute every claim of economy for the Coolidge administration.

Canaries don't reqiure a fancy menu. Canary seed, to which a little summer rape seed and hemp have been added, is a staple diet for the birds. Most housewives buy this feed in small quantities, ready-mixed for their pets. Canary seed alone isn't enough for the birds, but if you will add that small quantity of summer rape and hemp seed, you'll have a diet that fits to a T. In addition to the seed, supply a bit of lettuce or a small piece of apple frequently.

Problem is to make money first and then to make it last.—Wall Street Journal.

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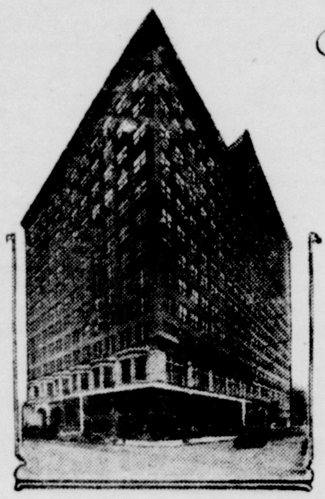
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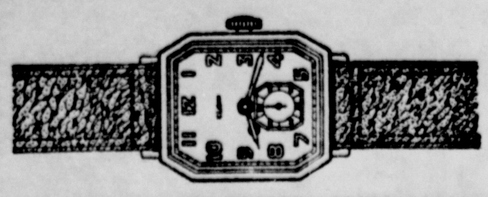
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The KITCHEN CABINET



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What's done we partly may compute,
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—Burns.

GOOD FOODS

There are several varieties of good noodles packed in cartons on the market, but for real goodness, as well as economy, the homemade variety is much superior. It takes but one egg, a tablespoonful of milk and one-half teaspoonful of salt, with flour to mix, and roll to make enough noodles for a family of four; twice the amount will make enough for a good meal with soup, for a large family.



Roll out so thin that the dough is transparent, let dry for an hour or two in air, then roll up and cut into strips with a knife. Shake out the noodles and drop into boiling salted water or soup and cook for several minutes. They will float on top when about done. To serve them in place of potatoes with chicken, drain them and put in a hot dish in which has browned a cupful of crumbs with a tablespoonful of butter. Stir until the noodles are well covered with the buttered crumbs, then serve. Noodles are good baked with cheese, egg or with a white sauce and a bit of green corn from the cob. One will find many ways of serving this good dish.

Chicken Warmein.—Cook a good fat fowl until tender in a large kettle with plenty of water for broth. Remove the fowl—it should be well seasoned. Remove the meat from the bones in small shreds and set away to keep hot. In the broth cook a bunch or more of celery—two bunches will not be too much if serving a large family. The celery is cut into small pieces before cooking. When tender remove the celery and drop in the noodles which have been previously prepared; cook until well done. Serve a nest of the noodles on a large plate; on these a few spoonfuls of celery and top with chicken and gravy.

A nice icing for a sponge cake is:

Orange Frosting.—To one cupful of confectioner's sugar add the grated rind of an orange with its juice; yellow coloring may be added if desired. Beat until smooth, adding a little cream if needed, for richness.

Nellie Maxwell

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THROUGH A WOMAN'S EYES

By JEAN NEWTON

How to Avoid Saying What We Do Not Want to Say

"I've done it again—said the thing I didn't want to say!"

A woman who has confided to us before now asks for assistance in correcting this failing—saying the thing she does not want to say. "It is not that I have no self-restraint," she says, "or cannot brake my tongue. As a rule I have no difficulty in controlling my speech. I doubt that anyone would say it is characteristic of me to let my tongue run away with me. But there is this one member of my family to whom I invariably say things I am sure to be sorry for—things I don't want to say, which are out before I am aware of having again shown this weakness. You may guess, of course, that she rubs the wrong way with me; that she goads me to the point where I forget my resolutions and let fly the very thing I did not want to say. But that is no excuse for me. It is what we do at a time like that that is the real test of ourselves, is it not?

It is not. It would be harsh judgment of the best of us to measure our real selves by what we do when we are driven to extremes of anger or hurt or indignation. However, what we do at such times, specifically how we speak at such times, is a test of how well we have schooled ourselves in consciously controlling our speech, in directing the outer manifestation of our impulses.

Our friend says: "As a rule I have no difficulty in controlling my speech." She means that as a rule her speech does not require extraordinary control to do her credit. That is true of many of us, who find, however, that in unexpected circumstances under severe pressure of sudden emotion, we do not always acquit ourselves to our satisfaction. We talk in a manner that detracts from our dignity, or, at least, from our self-esteem; we say things for which we are certain to be sorry. The reason is that we have not cultivated the habit of thinking before we speak. It is not the real we who says the wrong thing, because, on thinking, we do not want to say it. It is the impulsive we, the part of us that is without the distinction which is supposed to define the human being—namely, that "man is a thinking animal."

With many precepts that have gone in one ear and out the other, we were told long ago, "When angry, count ten!" An excellent deterrent to saying the wrong thing, except for the fact that when we are angry is the last time in the world that we would think of stopping to count ten—unless we habitually counted ten before speaking. There is the crux of how to achieve self-control at the most trying times. To control our tongues when we need that control most we must be in the habit of thinking before we speak. The answer is to form the habit, to school ourselves so that whenever we speak it will be the mind that acts first, the tongue later.

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THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

December 22nd commemorates the birth of Harris Merton Lyon, poet, short-story writer and magazine editor, who is often referred to as the "O. Henry of Missouri". As a writer of short stories, so closely did his style resemble that of O. Henry that after the latter's death, Lyon was commissioned by a group of the author's friends to complete some of his unfinished work for publication.

Although born in Santa Fe, New Mexico, Lyon was a Missourian by Adoption. He was educated in the schools of Kansas City and in 1901 entered the University of Missouri, where he soon became identified with a group of students whose chief interests was in literature and writing. He was graduated in 1905 with literary honors, receiving the McAnnally English medal.

It was during his undergraduate days that Lyon first won recognition as a writer of verse and stories and during his student days he was a contributor to such magazines as Scribners, McClure's and Century. In addition to his other activities, Lyon found time as a student to fill the office of managing editor of the M. S. U. Independent, a student literary publication, and to do reportial work on the Columbia Daily Tribune. He was also a contributor of verse and literary matter to the Savitar, the University annual, and was one of the moving spirits in founding Asterisks, a student publication devoted entirely to literature. Among the sudents associated with Lyon in the founding of this magazine who have achieved recognition through their writing are Homer Croy, Charles Ross and Carl Crow.

After leaving school, Lyon went to Texas, where he was a reporter on the Houston Post for a time. The writing urge, however, caused him to set New York as his goal and he left the Post and worked his way to New York as cargo clerk on a coast steamer. Here his way was hard. For months he was without work and was forced to earn his living by writing tobacco advertisements.

Finally, after weeks and months of hardship and discouragement, he found a place as police reporter on the New York World. Later he became dramatic critic on the Broadway Mazaine and still later, was given the post of editor. But the creative urge still drove him relentlessly and he resigned to give all his time to literary production.

Two volumes of Lyon's short stories, Sardonics and Graphics, have been published, the first in 1909 and the second in 1913. A short story by Lyon called The Weaver Who Clad the Summer was included in the Boston Transcript's 1815 volume of the ten best short stories of the year.

Lyon died in New York on June 3, 1916. Since his death critics have come to regard him as a writer of real creative force, who would no doubt have produced great literature had he lived. Recognition of the worth of his writing came too late to help him in his struggle, however, and he died almost unknown at the early age of thirty-three.

O. O. McIntyre, who was an associate of Lyon's early journalistic career, paints a graphic picture of his New York days and the dreary struggle which ended abruptly with his early death. "They are paying tribute to Harris Merton Lyon these days", he says. "Like Stephen Crane and Frank Norris his genius burned briefly—and he died neglected. He was among the first men I met in New York and for a time we worked side by side on a magazine. He was living then in Connecticut, battering himself to pieces to reach the magazines.

"He died from overwork—leaving a realistic novel unfinished. His 'Sardonics' and book of short stories 'Graphics', are among the finest pieces of American short-story writing. The last time I saw him was in front of an advertising office where he worked. They had assigned him—one of the few literary geniuses America has produced—to writing ads for tobacco....He was not bitter. He was just disillusioned. Even now Lyon ranks with O. Henry and his earthly reward was a series of acrid disappointments".

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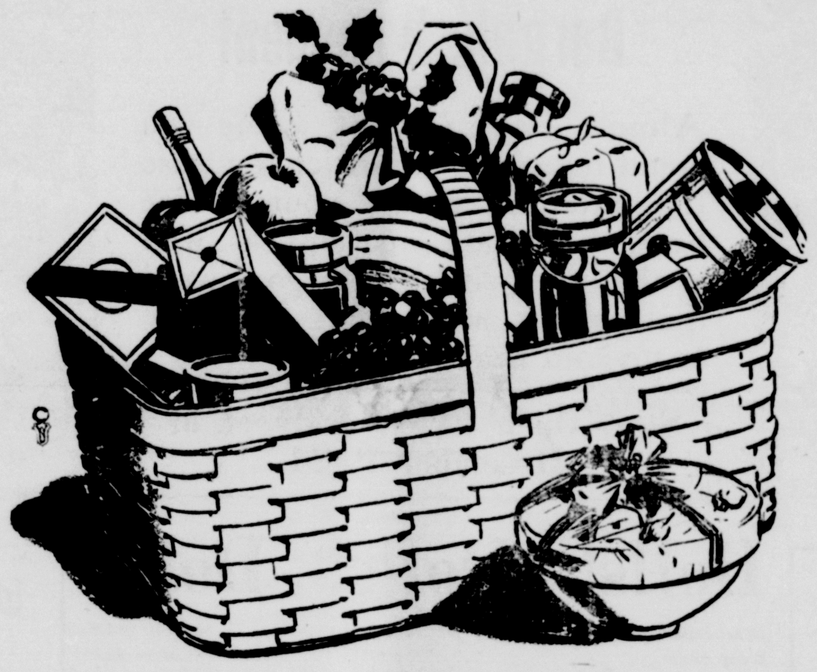
Licking—New Farmers' Exchange building here completed.

Black suede shoes will clean beautifully if you brush off the dust, then steam them over boiling water until they turn a deep purple.

The Death's Head moth, common in England till about 30 years ago, but now very rare, emits squeaks almost as loud as those of a mouse.

Poultry records are being kept on two flocks in Mississippi County, according to County Agent Paul H. Teal. Mrs. M. Donaldson has 100 single-comb Rhode Island reds on which she is keeping a record. Mrs. Norris Walker has two breeds, Rhode Island reds and white leghorns.

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THROUGH A WOMAN'S EYES

By JEAN NEWTON

A Father Should Be Either Good Enough or Bad Enough

In Liverpool a man provided in his will that his son should inherit no part of his wine cellar, as he said, "for very good reasons."

That is all we know about the son or the father. Far be it from us to jump to blame, particularly to blame a parent for the fault of a child when we know no more about either than that the child has the shortcoming. However, we cannot escape something incongruous in a father having a well-stocked wine cellar and having to stipulate that his son is not to inherit it. The comment that springs to mind is that a man with a wine cellar should have taught his son how to use it, or, failing to do this, that he should not have had the wine cellar. The situation reflects badly on the effort he expended on his son or the example he set for him.

Except for the "newsy" nature of this case it is not nearly so unusual as it should be. Parents are all too prone to consider their responsibility to their children fulfilled when they have fed and clothed them and perhaps compelled them to attend Sunday school. They expect their children to do right and to form good habits as a matter of course, and if such wisdom does not descend upon them out of a clear sky and they do something harmful or disgraceful, the same parents feel themselves greatly wronged and ill-repaid for the tremendous effort they have given to make them turn out right.

If the problem of rearing children could be creditably disposed of in such a simple way, life would not be the complex matter it is. However, the world is becoming conscious of the fact that we owe a great deal more to our children than merely to enable them to exist and not to abuse them. We have brought them into a world filled with danger and temptation, more or less according to the equipment which we and our forbears have bequeathed them. It is our duty to arm them constructively against these dangers, to supply them with weapons to protect themselves against those elements in their environment which might constitute a danger.

It is not the "Do as I say" that is potent, but the "Do as I do!" And the great responsibility entailed by parenthood is to set the right example for our children, regardless of the personal sacrifice which this entails.

If a man simply is not equal to setting a good example for his son, there is one other way by which he can save him. That is by setting such a horrible example that his son's main ambition in life will be to be different from his father. With the man in Liverpool, who found it necessary to stipulate in his will that his son was not to have his wine cellar, the trouble is apparently that he was neither good enough nor bad enough to be of any use to the young man.

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$250,000,000 BUILDING BILL IS APPROVED

Washington, December 14.—Favorable report to the House was ordered today by the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds on the House Reed bill of the last Congress, authorizing $250,000,000 to be expended on public buildings throughout the country. St. Louis' needs will be cared for in this bill, though the exact amount which will be apportioned the city is not known.

Representative L. C. Dyer, who has been particularly active in connection with St. Louis public building requirements, said today that he had been advised by the Treasury Department that it would not be necessary for the itnroduction of a bill for St. Louis, but that allotments would be made for he city commensurate with its needs.

The House committee reported first the Elliott bill, authorizing an appropriation of $25,000,000 for use in Washington for acquisition of sites for new government buildings. This bill failed of passage in the last Congress because of the Senate filibuster. The Reed bill, which is distinctive, proposes to increase the federal building fund from $150,000,000 to $250,000,000, leaving the District of Columbia's share at $50,000,000.

Doubtless there will be unprecedented mental confusion if one of these husband-calling contests is ever held in Hollywood.—Detroit News.

Galt—Work under way putting in new stringer and new flooring on Big Medicine Creek Bridge east of here on No. 6 highway in Sullivan County.

THE KITCHEN CABINET

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Too much idleness fills up a person's time much more completely and leaves him less his own master, than any other sort of employment whatever.—Burke.

EVERYDAY GOOD THINGS

Here are two bread recipes to use for an interesting variety:



Bran Bread.—Take one pint of slightly warm water, blend with one cake of compressed yeast and mix with one quart of flour. Beat hard to a smooth batter. Cover and let rise in a warm place until light. Beat one-half cupful of lard into one cupful of sugar and two teaspoonfuls of salt. Add this to the risen mixture and gradually beat in four cupfuls of bran and one cupful of seeded raisins. Beat again. Grease two bread pans and pour into each one-half the mixture: let rise again for an hour in a warm place and bake in a slow oven one hour.

Nut Bread.—Cream three-fourths of a cupful of brown sugar with a tablespoonful of shortening; add one-half teaspoonful of salt, one egg, add a cupful of dates, one-half cupful of nut meats, one cupful of boiling water and one and one-half cupfuls of flour. Add a teaspoonful of soda to the boiling water, mix all well and bake one hour in a slow oven.

Cornflake Macaroons.—Take one cupful each of sugar, cornflakes, ground nuts or coconut, two tablespoonfuls of flour, a little salt, and a few drops of vanilla. Beat two egg whites until stiff, add the sugar gradually, then the cornflakes, nuts and flour. Drop by teaspoonfuls on a buttered baking sheet. Bake in a moderate oven until brown.

Spiced Bread Crumb Pudding.—Take one cupful each of bread crumbs, sour milk and brown sugar, one-fourth cupful of shortening, one-half cupful of flour, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves, two tablespoonfuls of molasses, one teaspoonful of soda and three-fourths cupful of chopped raisins. Soak the bread in the milk, cream the shortening and sugar, add other ingredients, then the bread and the milk. Pour into a buttered baking dish and bake in a slow oven for forty-five minutes. Serve cold. This recipe will serve eight.

Nellie Maxwell

If the black velvet hat requires cleansing rub it briskly with damp salt, then brush it all out with a stiff brush.

Question is raised as to the propriety in Chicago's erecting a monument to Mrs. O'Leary's cow. But anything to take attention away from Bill Thompson's bull.—Albany Knickerbocker Press.

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"I have been a user of Black-Draught for four or five years. I have been taking it for stomach trouble. I suffered after eating with bloating and a 'tight feeling'.

"I had spells when I could not eat much of anything. I had severe headaches. I would be nauseated and hurt a lot. I was in a pretty bad fix.

"I began taking Black-Draught. It seemed to help me wonderfully. I hadn't found anything that benefited me as Black-Draught did. I certainly can recommend it.

"There were times when I just did without anything to eat until I was too weak to go. I was just miserable, and when I ate, my system seemed clogged.

"I had very severe headaches. So I didn't know just what to do. I knew I couldn't work if I didn't eat. Seemed like what I spit up was bitter as could be. I took Black-Draught pretty regularly and got where I could eat, and I don't have to take it so regularly now." NC-177

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LIVE STOCK NEWS

WINTER CARE OF FLOCK OF SHEEP

A great deal of the success with the lambs in the spring depends on the feed and care given the ewes during the winter.

If ewes are to develop good lambs they must have good feed and plenty of exercise. This does not mean that they should be fat. The aim should be to keep them in good thrifty condition. If plenty of roughage is available, the ewes, as a rule, will not need grain feed until about six weeks before lambing. Alfalfa hay is one of the best feeds for breeding ewes, writes Turner Wright in the Dakota Farmer. The clover hays are also good and should be used when alfalfa is not available or they can be mixed with the alfalfa to very good advantage. The run of a stalk field in the fall and early winter, and the use of corn stover or sorghum and similar fodders will help to lower the cost of winter keep, but as these feeds supply only a small amount of growth materials, the ewes should not be forced to subsist on them alone, as weak lambs will likely be the result. Used in connection with alfalfa or one of the clover hays, however, they make a very good winter ration.

Watch the flock closely and if any of the ewes begin to get thin in flesh, start feeding those ewes a small amount of grain each day. All the ewes in the flock ought to be put on a light grain feed about six weeks before lambing. About a half a pound a day of a mixture of about two-thirds oats and one-third corn or barley for each ewe is very good for the ration. If one is fortunate enough to have a good wheat or rye pasture available, the ewes should have access to it at all times when weather conditions will permit. No other winter feed gives quite such good results.

A supply of good water at all times is an important consideration. If the water can be heated in very cold weather just enough to remove the chill, it will be better for the ewes.

Many sheepmen make the mistake of housing their flock too closely in tight barns during the winter. A mature sheep does not need much protection from cold as its fleece will keep it warm enough. A good shed, open to the south, will serve the purpose of winter shelter very well. If this shed, or the yard surrounding it, opens into a large pasture, the run on this pasture every day will add to the health and thrift of the flock.

Find Soy Beans Useful in Fattening All Stock

Soy beans, which have taken a prominent role the last few years, not only for feeding of cattle, but also for hogs, sheep and poultry, have shown their merits again in the annual winter steer feeding trials at Purdue university agricultural experiment station. This home-grown protein supplement will take the place of cottonseed meal in a ration of silage, shelled corn and clover hay in fattening two-year-old steers for market. The soy beans not only will take the place of the cottonseed, but also will do it more effectively and will mean a greater profit, judging from the tests.

The lot of steers receiving soy beans in their ration showed an average daily gain of 2.42 pounds against the lot receiving cottonseed which gained 2.18 pounds a day. Ten steers were in each lot. Because of the faster, cheaper and higher rate of gain and also the higher finish, these steers were valued in the lots at $10.35 a hundred against $9.85 for the cottonseed meal lot. The profit per steer including pork produced by hogs following steers for the soy bean lot was $28.05 and only $16.47 for the cottonseed meal lot. The average profit over the last five years has been $5.99 per steer in favor of the soy bean feed group for the same reasons as mentioned.

Sudan Grass Good for Idle Horses in Winter

The Sudan grass will make a quality of hay that can be fed very successfully as roughage to idle horses in winter. If fed with a good grain ration, horses at work do fairly well on it, but it is not the best quality of hay for work horses. A good quality of oat hay made by cutting the oats green or a good timothy and clover mixed would make a more suitable kind of hay for horses at work.

Sudan grass is not very satisfactory for pasture as it makes a very soft, rank growth during the growing season, and there would be danger of severe scouring and some danger of bloating in animals pastured on the sudan grass.

Prevent Hog Cholera

The surest method for preventing hog cholera is the vaccination of the pigs shortly after weaning. Experience has shown that the vaccination of the pig before that time may not produce immunity. With pigs the cost of vaccination is not large. Where this has not been done the only safe thing is to watch the herd very closely and at the first sign of trouble consult a veterinarian. If the disease is in the neighborhood vaccinate as soon as possible.

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GENERAL REVIEW OF CASES OF DISABLED

Following several conferences with Watson B. Miller, chairman of the American Legion's National Rehabilitation committee which maintains offices in Washington, D. C., and is in constant touch with the United States Veterans' Bureau, Gen. Frank T. Hines, director of the bureau, has announced his intention of initiating a general review of all cases of disabled veterans who have heretofore carried ratings of less than 10 per cent. The review will be for the purpose of granting increases in rating wherever recent legislation and the terms of the new rating schedule will permit such increases.

Chairman Miller has for the last year been urging the director to institute a general review of all classes of disallowed claims, both those where service connection has not been established and those where no compensation was being paid because less than 10 per cent ratings were in effect.

In his announcement, Director Hines states:

"Upon examination into this matter I find that the load of disallowed cases consists of two types; first, those wherein a disability has been disclosed which is due to service, but less than 10 per cent in degree; and second, cases in which either no disease or injury is found, or service connection has not been established for the conditions noted.

"It does not appear necessary to review both types of cases for the reason that the application of the



Watson B. Miller.

disability rating schedule to the second class of cases would not result in any action favorable to these claimants. Cases of the second class wherein changes of the law with respect to service connection have made possible favorable reconsideration, have been carefully reviewed, in many instances more than once, and I, therefore, do not believe that the review should include cases of this type.

"With respect to the cases wherein a service connected disease or injury has been found to exist but compensation for the resulting disability has been disallowed because less than 10 per cent in degree, or cases wherein compensation has been discontinued under the old schedule for the reason that the disability fell to less than 10 per cent degree, the bureau will conduct a review just as soon as funds are available from which to pay the resulting awards.

"Due to the failure of passage of the deficiency bill at the last session of congress, current expenditures for payment of compensation are being met from the next year's appropriation for this purpose. I have secured the approval of the comptroller general for this use of the funds for current purposes but I doubt the legality of making expenditures due to a review initiated at this particular time.

"I regret exceedingly this situation but believe that we can complete our plans, issue instructions to the field and clear the track so that the delay in initiating this work will be somewhat compensated by the expedition with which it may later be accomplished."

Complete instructions were issued in May to all regional offices so that the review could be promptly commenced on July 1.

Chairman Miller said it was difficult to give even a rough estimate of the number of claims involved in the review, but that there are many thousands of them. The director's decision to inaugurate the review is considered by Legion officials as a distinct victory in the interest of veteran claimants.

Legion Maintains Life Guard

American Legion members of Santa Monica, Calif., have offered to make ocean bathing there safer in the summer by maintaining a volunteer life guard on the beach in front of the Legion clubhouse, and by erecting an observation tower for life guards on the beach.

Poplar Bluff—Third big natural gas company asks for franchise here.

Doniphan—New fire truck ordered for this place.

The use of good home-grown legume hay and silage is the basis of economical feeding of dairy cows. The cost of the grain portion of the ration will depend largely upon the quantity of these roughages available. A dairyman who has several stacks or a barn full of legume hay and a silo full of silage need not worry about the winter feed bill. Every cow should have these roughage feeds.

Onions like some other vegetables and fruits may be cooled somewhat below the freezing point without actual freezing taking place provided they are not in any way disturbed. Under commercial conditions it sometimes happens that onions are inadverently allowed to be exposed for some time to a temperature below their freezing point (about 40 degrees F.). Under such conditions a wise precaution is to warm the onions gradually to a temperature somewhat above their freezing point before attempting to move or otherwise disturb hem.

Lowndes—New school building under construction here.

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MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL REVIEW NEWS

Eureka—Blomis & Plagamann garage installs two new gasoline pumps.

Republic—H. P. Sullivan reconstructing his building damaged by fire.

Osceola—Work progressing steadily on Osage River dam here being installed by Ozark Power Company of Pleasant Hill.

Lonejack—This place to be in Missouri Public Service Company's network of towns shortly.

Jasper—Earl & Simpson shipped car of cattle to Kansas City from this place on recent day.

Gravel Hill—Farmers in this locality gathering corn.

Altenburg—Electric light plant here sold to Missouri General Utilities Company.

Hayti—New Methodist church here dedicated.

Wyaconda—A. Tweed shipped 3 carloads stock from here on recent day to Chicago.

Illmo—Ideal Telephone Company to provide Illmo and Fornfelt with first-class telephone service shortly.

Jefferson City—State game and fish commission purchased 50 deer and large number of wild turkeys for distribution to various state refuges.

Kahoka—Bankers met here recently and formed organization for Clark County.

South St. Louis—Missouri Pacific Railroad Company rebuilds crossing at Koeln Avenue and one at Wilmington Avenue.

Chilhowee—Road Club raising money to open new road east of here.

Kansas City—New road opened on 85th street east from Prospect Ave. to U. S. Highway No. 71.

Barderick—E. Wheeland shipped car of hogs to Kansas City from here on a recent day.

Pattensburg—Green-Toolye Mill & Company installs new corn sheller at its elevator here.

Santa Rosa—Missouri Power and Light Company building line from here to Fairport.

Union—Eight cars stock shipped from here recently over Burlington Railroad.

Breckenridge—E. Wilson shipped car of hogs to St. Joseph market from here on recent day.

Bethany—Middle States Utilities Company constructing new cable system for Bethany telephone exchange.

Vandalia—Southwestern Bell Telephone Company installs telephone in fire house on north side.

Vandalia—Stop and No U-Turn rubber signs installed in main street of this city.

Vineland—Railroad company completes new addition to stock pen here.

Strafford—New building for Bank of Strafford completed.

Marshfield—Brooks Produce Company, new business firm, opens in McMahan building on south side of square.

South St. Louis—Several new dwellings being constructed here.

House Springs—Highway No. 30 dedicated here.

Lebanon—Lebanon Cheese Factory made its first shipment recently.

Kingston—Road work on highway 13 north of this town nearly completed.

Nearby and Yonder

By T. T. MAXEY

WNU Service

The President's Church

ST. JOHN'S Episcopal church, across Lafayette square from the White House in Washington, built as a convenience and to split the difference between Old. St. John's in Georgetown (West Washington) and old Christ church in the southeastern part of town, in the early days when the question of transportation was a problem, gradually became the house of worship of Presidents and, as a consequence, to be known as the President's church.

This quaint and dignified structure, which is numbered among the oldest relics of its class within the present city, dates from 1818. Obviously, its historical associations are many.

Originally constructed in the form of a simple Greek cross, its convenient location so popularized it that it was enlarged to the form of a Latin cross, a portico fronted by six plain columns and a three-story steeple added, and a special pew set aside for the President.

Presidents Madison, Monroe, Adams, Jackson, Van Buren, Harrison, Tyler, Fillmore, Buchanan, Arthur and Roosevelt are said to have worshiped here.

Many persons of prominence in world affairs have been married in or buried from this church. The remains of Rev. William Hawley, who was its rector for twenty-eight years, lie beneath the chancel.

Among its cherished possessions is a ten-thousand-dollar communion chalice of solid gold set with diamonds, made from the jewelry of a member who willed it to the church.

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VON HINDENBURG SAYS AMERICANS WON WAR

New York, December 15.—An interview given by Field Marshal von Hindenburg the week after the armistice to three American war correspondents, in which he admitted that the American troops in the Argonne were responsible for winning the war, is published for the first time in the January issue of "The New Age Illustrated". The statement was obtained by George Seldes and two other American war correspondents who slipped through the retreating Germans into Germany the week after the signing of the armistice.

Seldes in "The New Age Illustrated" quotes the present President of Germany as follows:

"The American infantry in the Argonne won the war. To begin with, I must confess that Germany could not have won the war—that is, after 1917. We might have won on land. We might have taken Paris. But after the failure of the world food crops of 1916 the British food blockade reached its greatest effectiveness in 1917. However, without American troops against us and despite a food blockade which was undermining the civilian population of Germany and curtailing the rations in the field we could still have had a peace without victor. The war could have ended in a sort of stalemate. And even if we had not had the better of the fighting in the end as we had until July 18, 1918, we could have had an acceptable peace. We were still a great force and we had divisions in reserve always which the enemy attacks could never use up completely.

"Even the attack of July 18, which Allied Generals may consider the turning point in the war, did not use up a very important part of the German army or smash all our positions. To win a war it is necessary, as you know, to place the enemy forces hors de combat.

"In the summer of 1918 the German army was able to launch offensive after offensive—almost one a month. We had the men, the munitions and the morale, and we were not overbalanced. But the balance was broken by the American troops.

"The Argonne battle was slow and difficult, but it was strategic. It was bitter and it used up division after division. We had to hold the Metz-Longuyon roads and railroad, and we had hoped to stop all American attacks until the entire army was out of Northern France. We were passing through the neck of a vast bottle. But the neck was narrow. German and American divisions fought each other to a standstill in the Argonne.

"And then the day came when the American command sent new divisions into battle and when it had not even a broken division to plug up the gaps. There was nothing left to do but ask terms.

"From a military point of view, the Argonne battle as conceived and carried out by the American command was the climax of the war and its deciding factor. Without the American blow in the Argonne, we could have made a satisfactory peace at the end of a stalemate, or at least held our last positions on our own frontier indefinitely—undefeated.

"So I must really say that the British food blockade of 1917 and the American blow in the Argonne of 1918 decided the war for the allies".

LOU C. LOZIER TO RUN FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

Washington, December 15.—Lou C. Lozier, son of Representative Ralph Lozier of Carrollton, Mo., will resign as chief counsel for the State Highway Commission about the first of the new year and announce his candidacy for the Democratic nomintaion as Attorney General of Missouri. This information was imparted by his father today.

The younger Lozier has been with the State Commission for about five years, about two years ago succeeding Newton Wilder, Republican, of Kansas City, when the latter resigned, despite the desire of Gov. Baker to have the succession go to Judge Otto, Republican.

Congressman Lozier is expecting his son to come to Washington soon to spend a few days with his parents.

FRUIT TREES DAMAGED BY VARIETY OF RODENT PESTS

In many States, mice, rabbits, and pocket gophers do considerable damage to orchards, especially to young fruit trees, during the fall and winter months. This injury is serious enough to warrant the protection of all young fruit trees against danger for at least the first six or eight years after transplanting.

Meadow mice as a rule make their runways on the surface of the ground under grass, leaves, or other sheltering litter. They gnaw the bark of trees to about 6 inches above ground. Pine mice make their runways underground, much as moles do, and attack the roots of trees. Clean cultivation of the entire orchard will eliminate these mice, but where this is not considered practicable a small area cleared away from around each tree will help. This method cannot be everywhere depended upon, however, as the mice often damage the trees under the protection of deeps nows. Poisoning has been found by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture to be he most generally effective method of control.

To prevent rabbit injury it is necessary to wrap the base of tree trunks to a height of 18 or 20 inches. Poultry wire, old newspapers, gunny sacks, or patented wire wrappers may be used. Cloth or paper or tar-paper wrappers should be removed early in spring before growth starts. Poisoned baits may also be used against rabbits if they do much damage.

Pocket gophers work underground, gnawing the roots of the young trees, and oftimes evidence of damage is not found until some of the trees are killed and others badly injured. The same general methods that are used to kill pocket gophers in alfalfa fields should be applied, and thorough eradication should be accomplished both in and around the orchard, because if pocket gophers are allowed to winter near by they are likely ot feed on the roots.

Detailed information concerning the control of these and other injurious rodents may be obtained upon request addressed to the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

BEAUTY A TOWN ASSET

In spite of the apparent commercialism of the age in which we live, it is evident to any observer that the American people are rapidly developing a greater appreciation of the beautiful. This is not confined to the wealthier classes, but extends to the great masses in the towns and villages and in the rural districts.

New towns and new sections of the older ones are being laid out with wider streets, with provision for larger lawns, more trees, shrubbery and flowers, and a more attractive setting generally.

Recently built houses show better architecture and greater harmony with their surroundings, while unsightly yard fences have largely disappeared. The net result of all these modern developments is beauty. And aside from the satisfaction which it affords the eye, it pays in dollars and cents.

Beautiful cities, towns and villages attract people. They attract permanent residents, they attract tourists, and they attract trade. It is natural that a person selecting a trading center will choose a town that is beautiful and clean in preference to one that is unsightly and dirty, if other conditions are anyway near equal.

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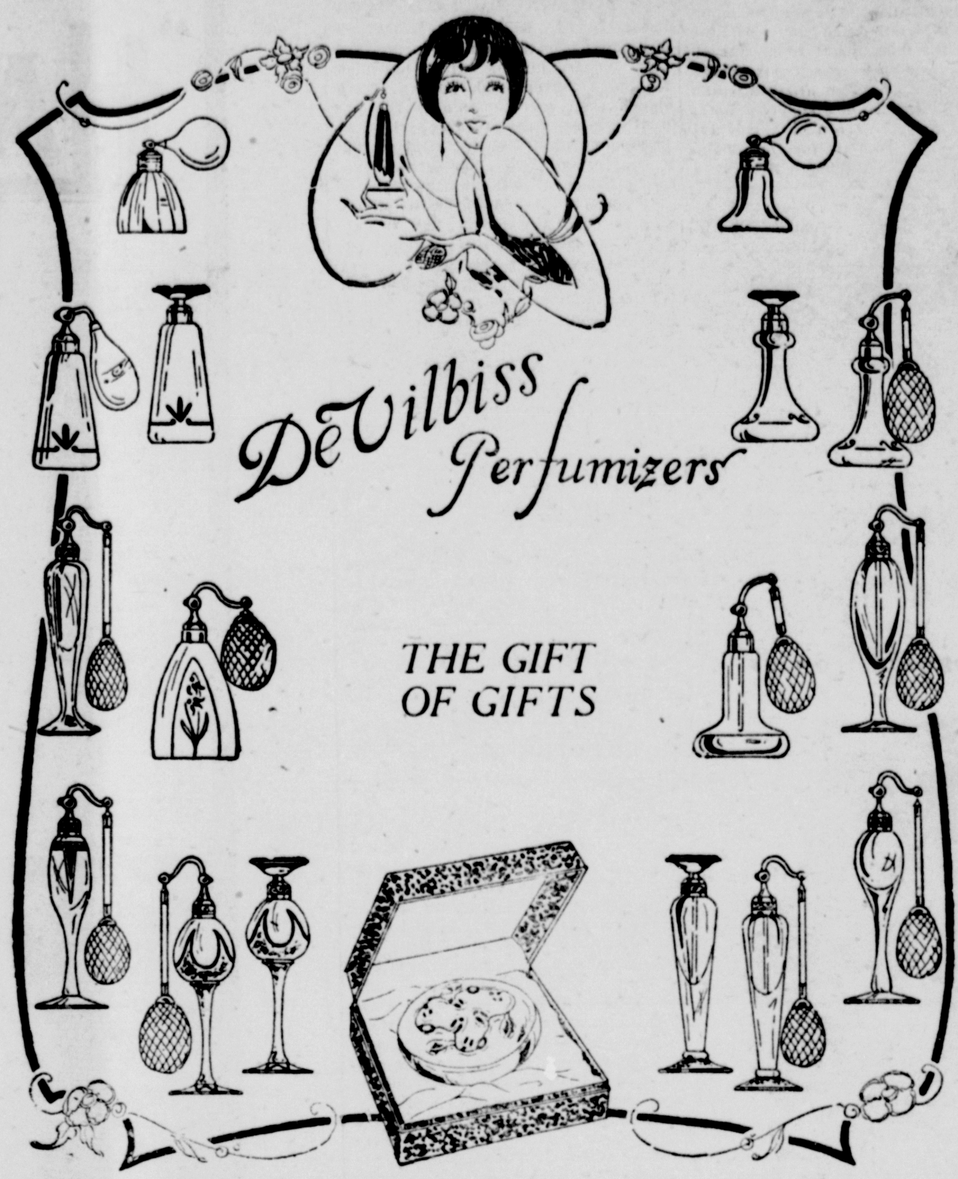
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TUESDAY MORNING

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CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

John J. Zimmerman, 68-year-old bridge foreman of the Frisco Railroad, died in the hospital in Cape Girardeau, Saturday, as the result of a head-on collision of a Frisco tram car and a tram car of the Himmelberger-Harrison Lumber Co., Friday evening. West Smith, a mill employee, was returning from his work in the timber when darkness caught him before arriving in town. The Frisco bridge gang had been called to Bloomfield. They started out after six o'clock in the evening. Neither car had lights, hence the collision, which killed Zimmerman, crushing his skull above the eyes, injured Smith and slightly injured several of the others and wrecked both cars.

Kennet Averett and Gussie Westerfield were married at New Madrid last week. Kenneth graduated from high school last year. He distinguished himself in athletics throughout Southeast Missouri, having been captain of the high school football and basketball teams, and a four letter man. He was also pitcher of the local baseball team. Both Kenneth and his wife had been working in Chicago, returning here to enter the Holy state of matrimony and to spend the winer. They expect to return to Chicago next spring.

Morehouse basketball fans were treated to an agreeable surprise, Friday night, when the young and light local girls' team held Chaffee to 16 to 14, and the tigers, though small and inexperienced showed a great speed and skill to trim the Chaffee team, 21-9.

The school authorities announce a School Fair and carnival for December 20. The entire school will be converted into an amusement hall with a dozen forms of entertainment, including a slide, side-shows, refreshments and special features. It is a penny affair. It will cost little and provide much fun.

Mrs. Alice Clark is leaving this week to join Mrs. Ernest Crumpecker at Houston, Texas. She is undecided as to whether she will make Houston her future home or return to Morehouse.

A Ford coupe, belonging to Miss Hattie Harp, was stolen from its parking place in front of the Postoffice, Saturday afternoon about four o'clock. The car was insured and a reward goes to the one who apprehends the thief.

James Twitty is lying at the point of death as a result of a knife cut over the heart and into the lungs which he received in a drunken brawl on the school grounds Friday night. Loren Bradshaw is in jail charged with murder, having cut Twitty with a knife. Bradshaw was fighting with a boy from Sikeston, when Twitty tried to intercept in favor of the Sikeston boy. The cutting insued. All of the young men were more or less under the influence of "White Mule". The affair came near breaking up a basketball game which was in progress in the gymnasium.

DEATH OF MRS. ROBT. BOYER

Mrs. Martha Boyer, beloved wife of Robert Boyer, passed away at her home in Sikeston last Tuesday, aged 66 years and was buried Wednesday afternoon, Rev. S. P. Brite conducting the burial services. The body was laid to rest in the Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Boyer is survived by her husband and four sons, namely: Hubert, Fred, Herman and James. James was the only one of her sons, who was not able to be here for the funeral.

WORK IN DORENA DISTRICT

East Prairie, December 17.—Red Cross workers have been busy in this section the past week checking, assigning furniture, reconstructing houses and doing the many "jobs" the organization requires of them.

Auditors from Washington, D. C., were here the first of the week to audit the accounts of the county organization. Miss Pauline Marshall, reconstruction officer from headquarters in St. Louis, was here in consultation with H. S. Roberts, Mississippi County chairman. Mrs. Claude B. McCartney, district representative, is now assisting Mr. Roberts and Mrs. Mabel Gynne, who is taking a furniture census of the district of those who lost in the flood caused by the break of the Dorena levee.

Mrs. McCartney accompanied Miss Jessie Clark, Red Cross case worker, to Poplar Bluff and spent several days in that territory. Miss Clark will be stationed at Poplar Bluff for some time; she was succeeded in New Madrid and Scott counties by Miss Dorothy Hall, also a case worker, from headquarters in St. Louis.

Stevenson says a joke enjoyed in common binds friends. England and America should be thankful for Big Bill.—Hagerstown Herald.

It seems that the Armistice was signed in a dining-car. No wonder the World War turned out to be so expensive.—San Diego Union.

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CAPE TEACHERS SIGN NEW FOOTBALL COACH

Cape Girardeau, December 18.—Victor Drumm, former Missouri University football player, was appointed head grid coach of the Cape Girardeau Teachers' College for the 1928 season, was announced by President J. A. Serena yesterday. Drumm will take the duties of Coach F. J. Courleux, who is now on a leave of absence.

Jerry Lewis, Central High School coach, was named director of athletics, basketball and track coach.

TWO KILLED AT CROSSING

Hayti, Mo., December 18.—Two negroes were instantly killed and three were injured about 12:30 p. m. today when the Ford coupe in which they were riding were struck by a fast northbound Frisco train at Hayti crossing.

The automobile was completely demolished. One tire was flung a distance of 100 yards by the impact. The occupants of the car were father, mother and their three children. The two dead are the father and a grown son.

The writer believes folks like to talk about how "hard times are" and how hard up they are. As long as people have that idea we are not likely to see much improvement. No one wants to buy a farm on a business in a section of the country where everybody is pinched to make a living. And times are not "hard". We have listened to many of our older friends and to our grandfather, before he died, tell about conditions they had to endure while making their start in life. Money was not available always for even sufficient food to satisfy the appetite. "Store clothes" could not be bought but out of necessity were made at home. At Christmas the children frequently got either nothing or at the most an orange and some cheap candy with possibly a home made toy. Contrast that with our so-called "hard times". The family which does not have an automobile is the exception. Fifty per cent or more enjoy a radio. The homes in which sufficient food is not available are very rare. If any child sees Christmas dawn in Shelbina or vicinity without Santa Claus coming, it is because his parents did not let anyone know of their condition. We may not be independently rich, but our grandparents would laugh at the idea that we were "hard up".—Shelbina Democrat.

NEW MADRID COUNTY HAS GOOD CORN CROP

New Madrid, December 18.—The use of 90-day corn by farmers in the flooded area has been a material aid in helping the county produce one of its best corn crops. Not only has more acreage been sown, but the 90-day corn is grading but exceptionally well and contains but little moisture.

A tenant of J. Val Baker, prosecuting attorney, planted a 90-day variety July 14. The field is yielding 40 bushels per acre, and the yield will be sold for seed corn.

Judge G. L. Tinsley, in an effort to assist the farmers, ordered several thousand bushels of 90-day varieties seed from reputable dealers. It was fortunate for the county that this was done, as shortly afterwards it was impossible to secure high grade 90-day seed corn. Judge Tinsley stated that, from the number of favorable comments that he had received, there was no question but what the use of 90-day corn had made the farmers of the county thousands of dollars.

Binford Henry, a farmer in the flooded area, made $3500 from a 70-acre sunflower crop planted after all other crops had failed.

This is an outstanding example of turning defeat into victory. Henry who lives in the eastern part of the county on the Mississippi River had flood waters covering his land twice last spring. He was not able to begin work until late June, the 70 acres were planted to corn twice and each time the stand was destroyed by cutworms. July 15 he planted the field to sunflowers. Last month he harvested the crop and has now disposed of them to dealers here. He receive $3500 for the seed.

Miss Burdine Schroff is home from Central College, Fayette, Mo., for the holidays.

An American left the bulk of his fortune to his lawyer. If everybody did this, a lot of time would be saved.—London Opinion.

Misses Hyacinth Sheppard and Evelyn Sutton spent Sunday afternoon near New Madrid, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lilbourn Stepp.

Little Jackie Bernard Richardson arrived Saturday morning, December 17, to make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Richardson of Reno, Ark. Mrs. Richardson, formerly Miss Nina Taylor of this city, is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Taylor. Mother and babe are getting along satisfactorily.

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR CHARITY WORK

The following were named to constitute the Board of Governors of the Charity organization, which was formed last week. Each church is represented by a member:

Catholic—Emanuel Schorle.
Baptist—Mrs. W. T. Shanks.
Christian—Lee Bowman.
Methodist—Mrs. G. A. Dempster.
Presbyterian—Wm. L. Huters.
Lutheran—R. M. Hilleman.
Nazarene—Lawrence Able.

C. C. White was elected President, Capt. E. T. Wheatley, Vice-President and Mrs. C. C. White, Secretary-Treasurer.

This meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. White, Friday evening of last week. Ned Matthews and Miss Hall, representative of the Red Cross, met with them. There is, at this time, many calls for help and after Christmas there will be put on a drive for funds to carry on this relief work.

Clothes are being distributed thru the Red Cross organization, but they cannot supply the needed with money. If you have any clothes that you can possibly spare, you should send them to the room next door to the Express Office on Malone Avenue, where they will be given to someone who is badly in need of them .

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sharp and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dunn of Clarkton were the guests over the week-end, of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Trowbridge.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy rendered us during the illness and death of our dear wife and mother.
ROBT. BOYER and SONS.

Mrs. Amelia Smith is in Union City, Tenn., nursing Mrs. Weyman Luten, who has a little daughter, born Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Old and children of Memphis, Tenn., will arrive in Sikeston Christmas Eve to spend Christmas day with Mrs. Ella Old.

Spencer Black arrived in Sikeston from Atlanta, Ga., where he has been a student at Georgia Tech. He and his sister, Miss Hilma, will leave for Wewoka, Okla., the last of the week to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Black.

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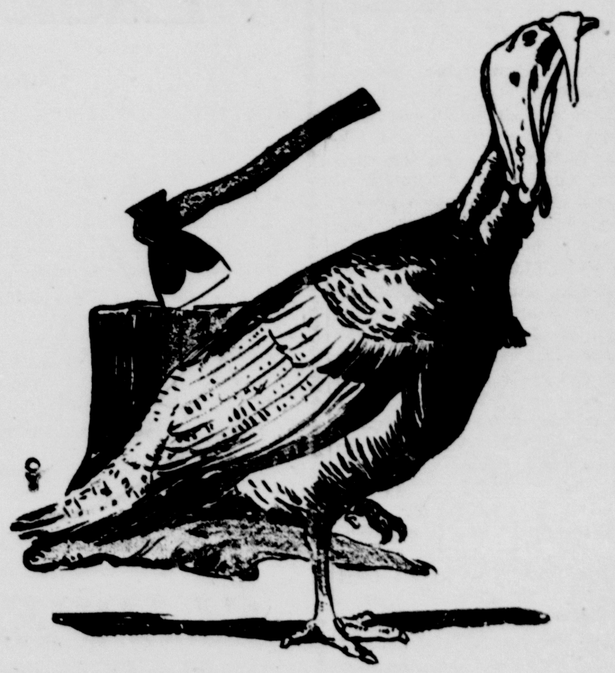
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Pretty cards with Christmas wishes,
Horns and drums and air guns, too,
Gum boots, sleds, all bright and new.

Sure you're busy good and kind,
Santa'll then keep you in mind,
Hang your stocking way up high
Santa's coming, bye and bye.

Miss Myra Tanner entertained on Friday evening with a dinner, complimentary to Mrs. Joe H. Allen of St. Joe. Covers were laid for thirty guests. The table decorations were in red and green and were very effective.

Among the many students, who returned to Sikeston from school last week to spend the Christmas holidays were: Misses Forde Bowman, Ruth Baker, Barbara Beck, Tylene Kendall, Virginia Freeman, Elizabeth Stallcup, Lucille and Louise Stubblefield and Lena Matthews.

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STATEMENT OF SENATOR HARRY B. HAWES

Study of the Davis-Jadwin Flood Control report reveals an attempt on the part of he Army Engineers to secure more power and to lessen civilian participation in the Flood Control program, and to handle a serious national situation without presenting the river problem in its entirey.

Immediately following the flood disaster, we were told to wait, to remain silent. But unfortunately, Missouri, through its newspapers, its civic organizations, and its representatives, did not remain silent. In the light of the Davis-Jadwin report, our course in submitting the Missouri Plan as a basis for discussion has been justified.

I do not know a Senator in the Valley States affected by the flood who is not now openly opposing the Davis-Jadwin report, and I am informed the same situation prevails in the House.

No Representative from Missouri who has studied the report, who understands it, and who has proper consideration for Missouri, can possibly vote for it.

The report, in my opinion, will be rejected by the Senate and there are prospects of its defeat in the House.

Personally, I shall oppose it and unless radically amended will vote against it.

The entire Mississippi Valley has has been deceived; it had hoped for an entirely different recommendation.

But of all the States in the Valley, Missouri receives the poorest and most inconsiderate treatment.

For years, through various civic organizations, financed by patriotic citizens, we have worked for the river and a comprehensive plan looking to the improvement of navigation and flood control.

Now in the wake of a great disaster, we secure nothing for the Missouri River or the Upper Mississippi stretch, and the partial destruction of at least two Souheast Missouri Counties, Mississippi and New Madrid is recommendde.

The report proposes to create a floodway in Mississippi and New Madrid Counties by constructing levees five miles back from the present levees on the Missouri side, from a point nearly opposite Cairo to a point near New Madrid.

The present levees are to be lowered five feet. The effect of this, according to the Report will be to lower the flood plane at Cairo only one and one-half feet, based upon the 1927 flood.

At the same time it takes 160,000 acres of Missouri land for a floodway, sixty per cent of which land is in cultivation, and over ninety thousand acres of which is held by land owners holding less than 500 acres each.

All of this land is now in levee districts and drainage districts, with an approximate $2,000,000 bonded indebtedness for levees and drainage. The total indebtedness against the land, including loans, secured by mortgages, is approximately $5,000,000.

But the proposal would require these local districts to pay twenty per cent of the cost of construction of new levees, in addition to furnishing the right-of-way and paying such damages as result from the work. They must also pay all the expense of cutting down the old levees five feet.

The Davis-Jadwin plan destroys the drainage outlets of eleven Drainage Districts draining all the territory east of New Madrid and Sikeston, and will require new diversions and new construction; it wrecks the drainage system of this territory. The cost of the work required to correct this has been estimated by engineers to be $1,500,000.

If this plan is adopted, no building or other structure can be erected within the floodway area without the consent and recommendation of the Chief of Engineers and the approval of the Secretary of War.

Summarizing, the Davis-Jadwin plan would add 160,000 acres to the flooded area in Missouri and the estimated costs to local districts affected will be $910,000, for levee rights of way; $3,200,000 contribution for levee construction; $1,500,000 for drainage diversion; a total of $5,610,000.

This does not include cost of cutting down fifty-five miles of present levee. With this included, the cost will far exceed the assessed valuation of the territory proposed to be thrown into a floodway, while the damage to the land will depreciate its present value at least forty per cent.

Such a plan means not only damage to the State and counties, but a damage to the individual owners of the land.

The Davis-Jadwin plan proposes a greater hardship than has resulted from any flood.

The land which it is proposed to put into a floodway is not unreclaimed land, but is rich, alluvial soil, some fo the best in Missouri. It produces not only the wheat, corn and hay of the north but the cotton and alfalfa of he south.

Of all the points on the river from its source to its mouth, less consideration was given to, less protection offered for and greater cost is placed upon these two counties than in the case of any other similar section involved.

The citizens of that section have cause for indignation. I hope they will form an organized protest. Back of this section of our State, I feel certain we will find the sympathetic support of the entire state and its large cities.

I hope the voice of protest will be heard and that the state will not permit the Davis-Jadwin report to be adopted if it can prevent it.

I am sure the other counties in the State will come to the support of Southeast Missouri and prevent the rape of this rich, alluvial territory.

Devastation for Southeast Missouri—and nothing for the rest of the State—is all that is proposed for Missouri in the report of the Army Engineers.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of expressing our greatful thanks to our friends and neighbors for extending their help and sympathy to us during the illness and death of our dear husband and father.

The A. C. Johnson Family.

Swedish railways will experiment with a locomotive in which the power from Diesel engines is transmitted to the driving shafts by hydraulic motors.

As the congregation in the South Side church in Chicago was singing "Lead, Kindly Light", all the lights went out, and candles were used to finish the service.

News from Berlin states that diagnosis of cancer in its earliest stages before pain is felt has been made possible by discoveries recently made at Hamburg. The diagnosis is made by examination of a drop of blood from the patient's ear.

O. O. McIntyre tells of a publiciyt seeker who got more than he bargained for. He wired a comedian friend: "I am bringing my girl to the show tonight. If you can use my name in a gag, I will appreciate it". The comedian complied by reading the telegram from the stage.

PROSECUTOR DAZED BY VERDICT FREEING THREE BIRGER GANGSTERS

Marion, Ill., December 18.—Stunned, as though struck suddenly unconscious, State's Attorney Arlie Boswell, when he heard of the acquittal verdict of the jurors in the trial of three alleged gangsters for trial of three alleged gangsters for the gang war murder of Lyle Worsham, turned on his heel and walked from the courtroom in a daze last night. Without comment he slowly walked down the worn stairway of the dirty, dingy Courthouse muttering: "What's the use?"

Today, Boswell, recovered from the shock, said he hardly knew whether it was worth while to try other gang cases here, and intimated that he would oppose the first trials for the murder of Highway Patrolman Lory Price at Nashville in Washington County. Price and his wife were shot in Williamson County, but according to a confession of Art Newman, one of the convicted murderers of Mayor Joe Adams of West City, Price died in Washington County, where his body was found. Mrs. Price was killed in Williamson County and her body found in an abandoned mine shaft.

Circuit Judge Hartwell, who has also served as a prosecutor in Williamson County, seemed greatly surpriced and shocked by the acquittal verdicts, and after a talk with jurors said that they told him the testimnoy of Elbert Scobey, Marion undertaker, that the body taken from the burned building was that of a woman instead of a man, weighed the heaviest with them in arriving at a verdict. The defense also introduced some evidence and dwelt at length in their closing arguments upon the allegation that both Eurel Gowan and Clarence Rone, state witnesses and gangsters, had had personal difficulties with the defendants and had threatened to "frame them". The first of the two ballots taken by the jurors stood nine to three for acquittal. The state had insisted on a verdict of death.

Harvey Dungy, now serving a 10-year-to-life sentence at Chester Penitentiary for robbery in Franklin County, will be returned to the Penitentiary, while Fred Thomasson and Joe Booher, the other two defendants, are held on other charges.

Benton, Ill., December 18.—"Lucky boys! They sure got a break!" This was the only comment Charlie Birger would make today regarding the acquittal at Marion last night of Harvey Dungey, Joe Booher and Fred Thomasson, who were tried for the murder of Lyle "Shag" Worsham. When shown the statement made by Attorney John Reid, in which Reid compared Birger to Pontius Pilate, Birger smiled, but said nothing. Birger spent more than an hour this afternoon in conference with his brother-in-law, Jake Shamsky of St. Louis. Shamsky also refused to give out anything regarding the conference.

It is understood Dungey will be returned to the penitentiary at Chester tomorrow o serve out his sentence of ten year to life for the robbery of Joseph Clinton at Freeman, March 12 last. Dungey was convicted in Circuit Court here August 4. Birger was accused of saturating Worsham's clothing with gasoline and applying the match after he had been killed.

NO FANCY NAMES FOR PRESIDENT'S WIFE

Whether by design or accident, the fact remains that, withone small exception, no girl with a fancy Christian name has ever diverted the eye of a oresident of the United States to the matrimonial altar. Save for a single Dolly, no woman wih an overly ornamental or cutie label has thus far, in the history of the republic, shared the throne.

The thirty-three spouses of the twenty-eight presidents (one, Buchanan, remained a bachelor) have all borne plain, everyday first names. Two Marthas, two were Marys, two were Abigails, two were Elizas, two were Ediths, two were Julias, two Carolines, two were Ellens, and the rest were Sarahs, Louisas, Rachels, Hannahs, Annas, Margarets, Janes, Lucys, Lettys, Franceses, Idas, Alices, Helens, Florences and Graces. A Lucretia, it is true, became Mrs. Garfield, but the president never called her that; from his courtship days she was always plain Lucy to him.

If Al Smith succeeds to the throne, he will share it with a Catherine. If Lowden, sitting beside him will be a Florence. If inconceivably McAdoo, it will be an Eleanor. If Dawes, a Caro, and if Jim Retd, a Lura may boggle statistics. But in the general run of things it apparently has always been a bad day for the Gladyses, Maes, Violets, Daisys, Pearls, Hazels, Maybelles, Bonnies, Trixies, Dots and other such little sunshine.—American Mercury.

All but one of the 10 children of Isaac Forbes of Leroy, Ill., weigh more than 200 pounds each.

Two puppies weighing only about one and a half ounces each were born at Lewiston, Me., their mother being Lady Flame, a pedigreed Pomeranian.

When Joseph Robeen, 72, applied to a St. Louis judge for a marriage license and was asked the name of the bride-to-be, he replied, "I don't know; I just met her three weeks ago".

The Thurmond Evang. Party of Benton, Ill., began an old time religion revival at the Assembly of God Church Sunday night, located at 716 Prosperity Street of this city. It is said that Rev. Thurmond has great success in his campaigns and is a forceable speaker. Mrs. Thurmond plays and sings special songs with the help of her daughter, Justine Chlo. Wlliam Lane Thurmond, who is ten years of age, also sings special songs and plays on the cornet. The public is invited.

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How to Play BRIDGE

Series 1927-28 by Wynne Ferguson

Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

ARTICLE NO. 15

One of the difficult problems of auction bridge arises when the opponents have bid four or five of their suit and partner has doubled. Shall you go on with your suit or try to defeat the opponents? The answer to that question decides many a game and rubber, so any examples that help to decide it should be very helpful.

Hand No. 1

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—Q, 10, 4
Clubs—Q, 7
Diamonds—A, 10
Spades—A, K, Q, 10, 9, 8

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one spade, A bid two diamonds, Y bid two spades and B passed. Z passed, A bid three diamonds, Y bid three spades and B bid four diamonds. Z bid four spades, A bid five diamonds, Y doubled and B passed. What should Z do? Should he allow the double to stay in or should he bid five spades? This is a very close hand. The fact that Z's partner has helped his bid twice makes it practically certain that he can make five spades. On the other hand, it looks as if he can beat the opponents three or more tricks at five diamonds doubled. In my opinion, however, Z should take the certain game and rubber, especially as he holds eight honors. If he defeats his opponents, they may win game and rubber on the next hand and so nullify the good results of the double. On close hands such as this, take the certainty. There is really no other determining factor.

Hand No. 2

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—J, 4
Clubs—7
Diamonds—10, 8, 7, 6, 2
Spades—Q, 9, 4, 3, 2

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one heart and A passed. Y bid four hearts and B doubled. If Z passed what should A do? Any double of a bid of four or more is a business double, one made to defeat the contract, so that A has the choice of passing, in the hope hat B has sufficient high cards to defeat the bid, or of bidding four spades.

If A makes the latter bid, he should do so for two reasons: First, because he thinks Y-Z will make four hearts doubled second, because he thinks Y's jump bid of four hearts shows a desire to shut out the spade bid. B's double must be based on high cards in the other three suits, so A may make four spades and so win game and rubber.

The determining factor, however, is the great weakness of A's hand; the fact that he holds so many spades and diamonds makes it unlikely that even if B has high cards in these suits, he will take as many tricks as he expected. A should, therefore, bid four spades. This is another close hand and should be carefully noted.

Here is a hand of a different type that offered a chance for a big swing that was missed:

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—K, Q, 10, 9
Clubs—7, 5
Diamonds—J, 10, 9, 7
Spades—K, J, 9

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one heart, a very questionable bid. With this type of hand, it is much better to pass and find out what the other players bid before taking any chances. The result of the heart bid was that Z got himself in a position where he played the hand at the wrong bid and failed to go game. After Z bid one heart, A bid one notrumj, Y bid two hearts and B bid two spades. Z and A passed and Y then bid three clubs. If B passes, what should Z bid?

After having made the mistake of bidding one heart as dealer, Z hasn't much choice except to bid three hearts; but if he would stop to think, he should realize that he and his partner hold the best hands and that their best chance for game is not with a weak four-card heart suit but in notrump. He has the opponent's declared suit, spades, stopped twice, so should make a bold try for game by bidding three no-trump. At either hearts or no-trump, Y-Z can make three odd, so that Z's bid of three notrump would have been a big winner. If Z passed in the first instance, he would not have got into any trouble. A also would have passed and Y would have bid one club. B would have bid one spade and Z could then have made a sound bid of one notrump. All would have passed and Y-Z would have scored game. This hand is noteworthy—first, for Z's bad original bid; second, for the opportunity later offered to correct his mistake. It is interesting and instructive.

Problem No. 16

Hearts—J, 6, 5
Clubs—K, 8, 5, 2
Diamonds—A, 7, 3
Spades—Q, 10, 6

Hearts—K, 8, 7, 3, 2
Clubs—Q, J, 10, 9
Diamonds—J, 4
Spades—9, 8

Y
A B
Z

Hearts—10, 9
Clubs—7, 4
Diamonds—K, Q, 10, 6
Spades—J, 5, 4, 3, 2

Hearts—A, Q, 4
Clubs—A, 6, 3
Diamonds—9, 8, 5, 2
Spades—A, K, 7

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one no-trump and all passed. A opened the trey of hearts, Y played the five, B the nine and Z won the trick with the queen. Z now led the trey of clubs, A played the nine, Y the deuce and B the four. A now led the queen of clubs which Z won with the ace in his own hand. How should he play the hand to go game against any defense? Solution in the next article.

The New York supreme court has ruled that when a man is sent to prison for life he is legally dead, and his wife can hold his property and marry again.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.
Thirtieth Dividend

The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on Preferred Stock will be paid on Monday, January 2, 1928, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Tuesday, December 20, 1927.

R. A. NICKERSON,
Treasurer

GARDNER EMPHATIC THAT HE IS SEEKING NO POLITICAL OFFICE

St. Louis, December 18.—Former Governor Frederick D. Gardner, who was host yesterday to a group of St. Louis newspaper men and a few other friends at his farm home in St. Charles County, made it clear in a welcome talk to his guests that he has at this time no plan to run for the Democratic nomination for Governor or any other office.

He said he had circumscribed the size of the guest list for yesterday's dinner, at which wild duck and country ham were served to St. Louis friends, in order that there could be given to the gathering no political significance. His guests included both Republican and Democrats. Gardner did not mention the governorship race, but emphasized the point that he has no political aspirations and is seeking nothing in politics.

The wild ducks which Gardner's 36 guess consumed he himself shot upon his farm. The ham, which they consumed, was cured by the ex-Governor in his own smokehouse, and the hogs were raised by him on the farm, which comprises 350 acres.

The only Democrats from out-state who attended were Charles L. Wood of Rolla, a member of the Legislature from Phelps County, and Omar D. Gray of Sturgeon, who was State Oil Inspector under the Gardner administration.

George S. Johns, editor of the editorial page of the Post-Dispatch, was toastmaster. W. R. Jackson, of St. Louis, formerly Postmaster, at Mexico, Mo., and Woods were among the speakers.

It is known that Gardner, who was a delegate at large to the last, two Democratic national conventions, will no ask to be made one of the delegates next year.

If these should come to him a general demand to run for Governor, Gardner would get into that race, but he will not enter into a primary scramble for the nomination, it is known.

SUCKERS

By Bruce Barton

On my very first day in New York I wandered into a men's furnishing store which was "selling out", and was quickly relieved of $15 for some shirts. They proved to be no good.

That was twelve years ago.

In those twelve years many stores have moved into fine new buildings uptown, and made fortunes. To the revenues of several of these my household contributes in a very small way every year. And generally speaking, I do not think that the men who conduct them are any more brilliantly endowed than that genelal but unscrupulous individual who had the first chance to make me his customer on my first day in town.

But he has not moved into a fine new building. I passed his store yesterday, and he is still "selling out" —still fishing in the troubled waters of deceit, and landing suckers, with painful effort, one at a time.

Said the president of a great soap company some years ago:

"We have been so careful in what we claimed for our product that if we were to advertise tomorrow that our soap is good to eat, 1,000,000 American families would serve it for supper".

By such scrupulous regard for the customer's confidence the really big businesses are built. They flourish in accordance with Mirabeau's dictum: "If honesty did not exist, it would be necessary to invent it as a means of enriching oneself".

Some years after the termination of Mirabeau's stormy career, a gentleman set out to establish a large business on other basis—the assumption that men are suckers, and that he was smarter than all the rest. His uncle said of him, as a boy, that "he would some day govern the world, because he was in the habit of lyng on all occasions".

For several years it looked as if the uncle's prophecy would be fulfilled. But the nephew wound up just where he started. He came from the little island of Corsica, a poor boy; he ended on the little island of St. Helena, a ruined man.

Some day I mean to drop in at the shabby little store which has displayed its lying sign for twelve years and present the proprietor with a life of this gentleman. Napoleon.

"If, with all his brains, he couldn't get away with it", I will ask him, "what chance is there for you?"

The New York court of special sessions fined a father for spanking his 20-year-old daughter.

Marcus Richards of Evanston, Ill., died as a result of overeating, making a meal of cheese only.

Mrs. Emma McMahon, 106 years old, of Kansas City, Mo., is a supervisor in a knitting mill, and helps to support her 70-year-old son, who she says "is too old and feeble to work".



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ODD BITS OF NEWS

David Green, a New York importer, predicts that the straw hat will be a thing of the past among well-dressed men within five years.

J. C. Lee of Dawson, Ga., was run over by a farm tractor two days in succession, but was not badly hurt either time.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mack of Cleveland, arrested for spooning in their own car, were awarded $3675 damages by the common pleas court.

Florence De Villier traveled from South Africa to Philadelphia to have removed a paper clip which had been in her lung for 12 years.

A street sweeper found a package of gems worth $1500 in a New York street, where it had lain unnoticed for four days, and restored it to its owner.

Miss Lisbeth Apler, who scratched her name and address on a comb she made in a German factory, will shortly wed Robert Press of New York, who later bought the comb and courted her by correspondence.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kopinsky of Grand Rapids, Mich., who lived together 41 years and were divorced last February, were recently married again.

Miss Ethel Corley and James Elverton of Deal, Eng., eloped to marry, swimming a river to reach a minister's home.

A calf belonging to W. H. Kirkendall of Blue Mountain, Miss., was only 12 inches high and weighed only 15 pounds when three weeks old.

Judge Elmer Kahl of Sidney, Neb., sentenced two men to jail for 60 days on bread and water for violating the prohibition law.

A White Leghorn hen at the Nebraska Agricultural College poultry farm has laid 1200 eggs in less than nine years.

Mrs. Jane Elvash of Glasgow has been arrested for swindling a score of men after promising to marry them.

When Pierre Legniere of Paris boasted that he had wives in 30 towns Mme. Legniere secured evidence that won her divorce.

Miss Rachel Corwen of Duluth, Minn., was arrested for stealing from her employer to buy flowers for a friend's funeral.

A. B. Chester and his bride of Skipton, Eng., are taking their honeymoon trip on horseback through Yorkshire.

When Leslie Makin and Miss Elsie Marshall of Liverpool, were arraigned for fighting on the street the court sentenced them to be married at once.

"The pity of it is", says Impecunious Imogene, "that only the poor seem to know what to do with the money the rich have".

An orange short cake makes a delicious fruit dessert. Serve it hot or cold, either with whipped cream or a sauce.

The area of the Pacific Ocean is 70,000,000 square miles, and exceeds the total expanse of all the continents and islands on the globe.

Fifteen bushels in eight minutes was the corn husking record set by Frank Stonek of Fort Dodge, Iowa.

American Telephone & Telegraph Company
Bell System
153rd Dividend

The regular quarterly dividend of two dollars and twenty-five cents ($2.25) per share will be paid on Monday, January 16, 1928, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Tuesday, December 20, 1927.

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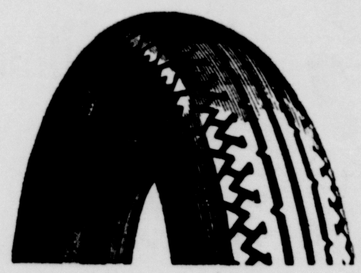
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Bryan McMahon, 85 years old, of Dublin, has dug his own grave, put up a headstone and made his coffin.

A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Jackson of Chicago, while she was hurrying to the hospital in a taxicab.

Ike Martin, 24 inches high, a vaudeville performer of Jacksonville, Fla., has filed suit for divorce from his wife, who is 23 inches high, charging cruelty.

Daniel Brown, a Tennessee mountaineer who believes that man must not alter the appearance God gave him, was arrested for refusing to permit his two sons to be vaccinated.

DIAMOND SPECIAL

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Old Santa Claus

Dear Santa:

Please bring me whatever you have to spare. I want others to be happy too. I would like a dump truck and a scooter.

THOMAS BLOOMFIELD.

My mother says I've been a real good boy all year, so I think I deserve something for Xmas. I want a drum and some tinker toys. And please Santa don't forget fruits, nuts and candy. Goodbye Santa.

GILBERT HARDEN.

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm writing this letter for me and my little twin sister, both. We are five years old. Sana, sister wants a doll, a little buggy and a broom. I want a doll, a broom and a horn. Please don't forget to bring fruit, nuts and candy.

ALBERT and ALBERTA HARDEN

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 11 years old. I live on a farm two miles north of Sikeston on highway No. 61. My father is a farmer and a dairy man. I can milk cows and I can chop cotton. I am in the seventh grade. My teacher is Mrs. Anna Ancell. I am a member of Hunter school. I have not missed a day this year in school, neither last year. I got a ward of honor too. I want Santa to bring me something for Christmas. I am not going to name anything. I am pleased with anything he brings me. We all should try to do something for our Maker on that day. We all should try to do anything to please Jesus on that day. Don't forget the little orphan children in all the land, and my mother, father, brothers and sister. With love to Santa.

JOHNSY M. TURNER.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 9 years old. My name is Olivela Turner. I have a sister by the name of Johnsy M. She is not going to ask for anything much. She is going to be pleased with anything you bring her. I am going to ask for a pair of gloves, a box of stationery, fountain pen and a blackboard, some chalk. Sis would like to have a fountain pen too, I know. I also received a ward of honor last term at school. My teacher's name is Mrs. Anna Ancell. I am in the 5th grade and I can milk too and chop cotton and I will be pleased with anything that Santa brings me. I will do all I can to make everybody happy on that day because our Savior's birthday. I want all my schoolmates to get acquainted with Santa. He loves all good little girls and boys.

OLIVELA TURNER.

Sikeston High School News

By Hallie Carey

Hurrah- The schools of Sikeston will be dismissed a whole week for Christmas.

Mtredith Lee, former student of S. E. S., visited us a while Monday morning, looking as happy as ever.

Misses Forde Bowman, Tylene Kendall, Barbara Beck, Virginia Freeman adn Lena Matthews are home from college for a few days.

Christmas is coming! So is Home Coming and the big game with Diehlstadt, Thursday evening, December 22, and we hope to see all the former students of S. H. S. who are in town out at the gymnasium at 7:30. Don't forget it!

Misses Geneva Pate and Ruby Rogers visited in Charleston, Sunday.

Mesdames C. E. Felker, Harry Dover, and Harry Young were visitor to Cape Girardeau, Friday.

Miss Martha Dawson, a student of the University of Illinois, is the guest of Miss Lottie Dover and will be in Sikeston until Friday, when she will go to her home in Little Rock, Ark.

Miss Myra Tanner and Mrs. Harold Trowbridge entertained with a tea Sunday evening at the home of Miss Tanner. Mrs. Paul Anderson and Mrs. T. C. McClure poured. About twenty-five guests were invited. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Murray Phillips of New Madrid and Miss Martha Dawson of Little Rock, Ark.

American Legion

Membership for 1928 is slowly but steadily climbing toward the goal set for the year. Sixty-five members have been signed. At the next meeting on Wednesday night of this week, a committee headed by Art Sensenbaugh will report on a contest with suitable awards for the members who sign up the most members for the Post. It is considered that this committee will set the date on which the contest will commence and allow on credit for those members already signed.

As echoes of the Legion dinner last week, many vets have applied for their Adjusted Compensation. January first is the last date on which his bonus insurance may be applied for, and those that have not already acted are urged to see the Post Adjutant without further delay. Five blank applications were given a member of the Post who lives in Morehouse. He made a trip to Sikeston last Saturday night to secure them.

Green Lescher, who lives in California, wrote for his 1928 card last week and the letter arrived just too late to be read at the dinner. Other members of Henry Meldrum Post live in Caruthersville, Hayti, Matthews, Morehouse and Blodgett.

Remember the Post dances on December 22nd and 29th at the Armory. The same peppy orchestra, Roland Fenton's Paradise Garden Orchestra will produce the sweet sounds.

Attend the final meeting of the Post in 1927 at the Chamber of Commerce rooms on Wednesday night at 7:30.

Mrs. Louis Emory Baker left for Chicago Sunday, where she will join her husband, when he arrives from a six weeks trip to Europe. They expect to spend Christmas in Sikeston.

Reece Lillard is in Sikeston after an absence of six years. He will go to Arlington, Ky., the last of the week with his mother, who is visiting here. Miss Dorothy Lillard will also go to Arlington, where they will spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Horne entertained with a family dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer and children, Mrs. Robert Lillard, Reece Lillard, Miss Dorothy Lillard, Mrs. Henerietta Stumm of Bloomington, Ohio, G. B. Greer, Mrs. Annie Winchester and Miss Anita Winchester

LIVE STOCK

OATS MAKE GOOD FEED FOR SWINE

In a general way we all know that oats are a good feed for pigs, but they are not especially well adapted for fattening purposes. The question often arises, what are oats actually worth, pound for pound, as compared with corn. This matter has been tested by a number of our corn-belt experiment stations. One test, concluded by the Ohio station in January of this year, shows that when oats were fed with tankage and alfalfa meal to 48-pound pigs, they consumed 420 pounds oats, 12 pounds tankage and 14 pounds alfalfa meal per 100 pounds gain. Another lot of pigs of the same age and weight, fed in the same manner, consumed 830 pounds corn, 40 pounds tankage and 12 pounds alfalfa meal per 100 pounds gain. The oat lot gained 1.08 pounds per head per day and the corn lot 1.10, making the gains practically identical.

Comparing the oat consumption with that of the corn, one pound of corn was equal to about 1.25 pounds of oats. However, owing to the larger consumption of tankage by the corn lot in this case, the oats really showed a higher feeding value than is usually assigned to them. Roughly speaking within the ordinary limits of market prices, oats are worth a little less per bushel than half the price of a bushel of corn. Or, stating the same facts in different words, pound for pound, oats are worth about 25 per cent less as a hog feed than corn. This is due largely to the hulls which, of course, have no feeding value and, in fact, for hog-feeding purposes, are a detriment.

It should be noted in connection with the tests herein referred to that both lots of pigs were also fed minerals, alfalfa meal and tankage. In one feeding test with oats, in which alfalfa meal was not used, the results were very unsatisfactory. Alfalfa is a splendid feed in that it adds not only mineral matter and protein to the ration, but also vitamine D, the anti-rachitic vitamine. When the ration contains an abundance of vitamine D, the pig is able to assimilate a larger amount of mineral matter. In the absence of the needed amount of mineral matter or when a hog fails to assimilate the minerals in its ration, weak bones, due to the disease known as rickets, often develop.

Exercise Breeding Ewes to Have Thrifty Lambs

If breeding ewes can be made to walk at least one mile every day in getting a large part of their roughage, the chances for a crop of strong, thrifty lambs next spring are much better than if the ewes are allowed to loaf in the yard around the barn or shed.

It is a good practice to scatter the roughage in the fields or pastures each day during clear weather when the ground is frozen or dry, they say. In this way the ewes will have to take exercise in getting the roughage feeds. When it can be done, the flock should be shut away from the barnyard in the field or pasture during the day and made to rustle for its feed.

In so far as housing is concerned, warm barns, except during the lambing season if the lambs come in cold weather, are not desirable for breeding sheep. The wool protects the sheep from cold and all it needs is a shelter from cold, sharp winds and a dry place to sleep.

Live Stock Notes

Horses and mules that are doing hard work must have plenty of grain.

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Profitable pork production demands the use of good sanitary pasture.

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Close observations of sows and pigs have many times indicated that animals on self-feeders look better and are more thrifty than those that are hand fed.

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When poor corn and tankage are put before hogs in self-feeders they often eat not enough corn but too much tankage and self-feeding is unprofitable.

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The ordinary stockyards are almost continually infected with all sorts of contagious diseases. Animals should never be taken from the stockyards back to the farm.

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Experience has shown that pigs which have grazed on clover alfalfa or other summer and fall forage crops will incur the least risk of suffering from too much green corn.

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An open shed for stock is as necessary and important as any building on the farm.

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A horse which weighs 1,400 pounds should be given from 14 to 16 pounds of grain per day and about the same amount of hay.

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Lambs at weaning time can be turned into the corn field and they will eat the corn leaves and husks, do well, and be in good condition for the market before they have learned to eat corn from the cob.



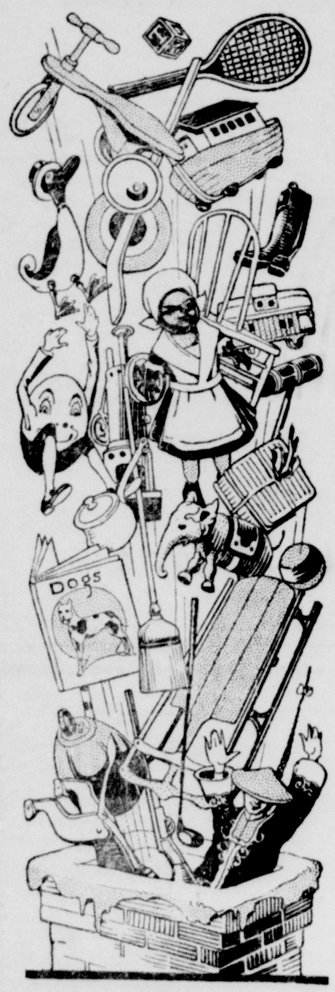
At this season of good wishes and good cheer, we desire to add our appreciation for your loyalty and cooperation which we recognize as most important factors in the growth of our business.

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OPPOSITE SHOE FACTORY

Mrs. E. P. Coleman is spending a few days in Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. J. W. Schroff spent the week-end in St. Louis with her sister, Mrs. Mollie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brenton and Mrs. M. M. Beck were Cape Girardeau visitors, Thursday.

Otis Brown went to Fulton, Ky., Sunday to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, who died in Texas.

Mrs. Alvin Taylor, Mrs. T. A. Wilson, Maxine Finley, Josephine Hudson, Elizabeth Taylor and Gail Taylor were visitors to Cairo, Saturday.

Miss Roberta Noble of St. Louis arrived in Sikeston Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles I. Noble. She will return to St. Louis Wednesday.

Mrs. Wade Sitzes and little granddaughter, who has been visiting here, left for St. Louis, where Mrs. Sitze will remain for the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Ellis.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson and daughter, Helen, and Mrs. W. R. Burks motored to Charleston Sunday afternoon, taking Sally Burks, who had been visiting her grandmother for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson and children will leave Christmas morning for Jacksonville, Ill., where Mrs. Anderson and children will visit for a few days. Mr. Anderson will return Wednesday.

"You say you would not vote for a measure to increase your salary?"

"That's what I say", answered Senator Sorghum. "Politics is a big game now. Any increase of salary that would be available would look merely like a white chip".—Washington Star.

Canaries have been men's—and especially women's—pets for several hundred years. They were household pets as early as 1400. Our American supply comes mainly from Germany and England, although, during the war, we imported a few from China. From 1905 to 1915, three and one-quarter million canaries were imported into the States.

Cassville—New business building being erected on South Main Street.

FOR RENT—A 5-room house, with lights, near town. Apply to Mrs. Jane Mills.

LOST, STRAYED.—One dark bay mule, 15½ hands high, 12 years old. Reward. Phone 918F41.—Theodore Hopper. 1tpd.

LOST—White gold ear bob, Sunday evening. Finder kindly leave same at The Standard office.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping at 625 Prosperity St. tf.

FOR RENT—Four furnished rooms for light housekeeping.—Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, 228 Trotter.

FOR RENT—6-room house with bath two blocks from business district.—See Sikeston Mercantile Co.

FO RRENT—6-room house, newly decorated, lights, bath and water. See A. C. Barrett at Bank of Sikeston. tf

FOR SALE—Ford touring, good condition, new tires and battery. Will swap for diamond.—C. H. Yanson, Jeweler.

FOR RENT—6-room apartment, newly papered, furnace, bath, electric lights, screened porch and garage. Phone 58 tf.

FOUND—On Saturday afternoon, a package containing some toy watches. Owner can get same by calling at The Standard office.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual stockholders' meeting of the Peoples Bank of Sikeston will be held at its banking house in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, on the 3rd day of January, 1928.

Said meeting will be convened at 9 o'clock a. m. and continued during at least three hours, unless the object for which such meting is called be accomplished sooner.

The purpose for which this meeting is called is to elect 7 directors for the said bank, to serve during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

F. M. SIKES, President.

Attest:
R. F. Anderson, Secretary.

Notice of Shareholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 15th annual shareholders' meeting of the Sikeston Building and Loan Association will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, on the 31st day of December, 1927.

Said meeting will be convened at 7 o'clock p. m. and continued during at least three hours, unless the object for which such meeting is called be accomplished sooner.

The purpose for which this meeting is called is to elect seven directors for the said Association, to serve during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

Attest:
W. P. WILKERSON, Secretary.
C. E. BRENTON, President.

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